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Tomorrow

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DOHENY-FALL EVIDENCE IN; CASE TO JURY NEXT WEEK

Ex-Secretary Does Not Take
Stand—Prosecution Of-
fers Minutes of Naval
Council on Leasing.

DENBY WANTED TO
CONSULT CONGRESS

Arguments May Not End
Before Wednesday—No
Administration Aid in
Refuting "War Scare"
Theory.

By PAUL Y. ANDERSON,
A Staff Correspondent of the Post-
Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Both
sides in the Fall-Doheny oil trial
rested at 10:40 a. m., St. Louis
time, today, and the court recessed
until Monday. Former Secretary
Fall did not take the stand, as did
E. L. Doheny. They are charged
with conspiracy to defraud the
Doheny's oil interests of the Elk
Hills naval oil reserve.

Monday morning's session will be
occupied in the forming of in-
structions. As one day usually is
given each side for argument, it is
likely the case will not reach the
jury before Wednesday morning,
although it is possible it may go
to the jury Tuesday night.

For the Government, Owen J.
Roberts will make the opening
statement. A number of defense
attorneys will appear, and Attorney
Furness will close for the Gov-
ernment.

A remarkable change has oc-
curred in the atmosphere of the
trial. Two days ago, when the de-
fense evidence was laid in, there
was a general belief that con-
viction was likely. The remarkably
effective testimony of Doheny in
his own behalf, the appearance of
Secretary of the Navy William
D. Clegg, and the inexplicable failure
of administration officials to supply
the prosecution with any evidence
in refutation of the story are the
circumstances that changed the
situation.

Few of those who have attended
the trial expect the prosecution to
get anything better than a hung
jury and probably less than that.

McCormack a Character Witness
Today is the fourth anniversary
of the day on which Secretary Fall
secretly leased the 37,000-acre re-
serve to Doheny.

The defense rested after John
McCormack, the famous tenor, had
given character testimony for Do-
heny.

"What is his reputation for patri-
otism and good citizenship?" asked
Chief Defense Counsel Frank Har-
gan.

"Sure, I hope mine is as good
when I'm his age," replied the
singer, in his celebrated rich
brogue.

There was astonishment when
the Government concluded its re-
buttal without offering any evi-
dence to refute the defense testi-
mony that this country was threat-
ened with war by Japan in 1921.

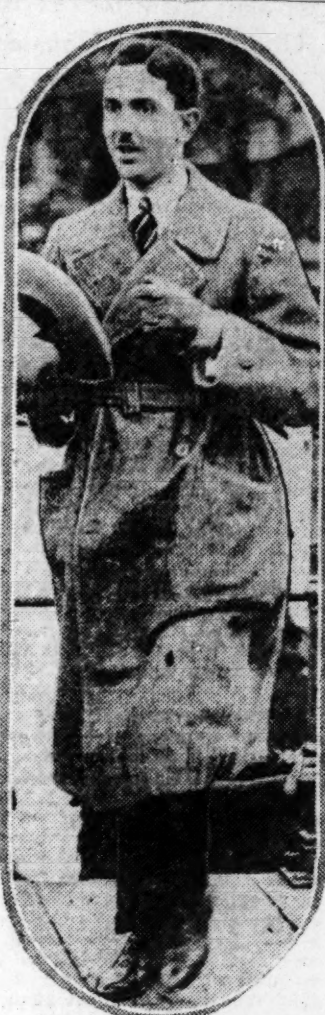
Special Prosecutors Roberts and
Pomeroy had held several con-
ferences with Secretary of State
Kellogg in an effort to obtain mat-
terial which would explode the
"yellow peril" yarn. Secretary Kel-
logg and Fall are former senatorial
colleagues.

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Prince and Princess Reported Betrothed



PRINCESS ILEANA.
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CROWN PRINCE HUMBERT.

ENGINEER DYING AT THROTTLE, CONDUCTOR STOPS FAST TRAIN

New York-Detroit Express Halted
Without Accident at Altoona,
Pa., by Emergency Brakes.

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 11.—With
the limp body of its engineer rest-
ing on the sill of the cab window,
the Red Arrow Express of the
Pennsylvania Railroad, bound from
New York to Detroit, sped into
the train shed here at 9:15 o'clock
last night and a serious accident
was avoided by the conductor, who
pulled the emergency brake cord
and stopped the train five car
lengths beyond the regularly de-
signed point.

Investigation by the railroad to-
day disclosed that the engineer,
C. E. Crum, met death when his
head struck a freight car on an
adjoining track about eight blocks
from the Altoona station.

Railroad officials advanced the
opinion that Crum was leaning out
of the cab, looking backwards,
when his head struck the freight
car. His skull was fractured.

LLOYD GEORGE AT MOVIE HOUSE
Sees First Picture Except Private
Showings at Home.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Former Pre-
mier Lloyd George paid his first
visit to a motion picture theater
last night. With his wife and
daughter, Megan, he saw "Ben
Hur."

After the performance he said it
was quite a novel experience for
him, as hitherto the only motion
pictures he had seen were at pri-
vate projections in his own home.

In Tomorrow's Sunday
Post-Dispatch

Marriage Is Broken by Court
and Annulled by Rome but
Dot Goes Merrily On—
When the Duke of Marlbor-
ough married Consuelo Van-
derbilt her father settled
\$2,500,000 on him in the
form of a trust fund. Now
the Duke is divorced and mar-
ried again and the Ro-
man Catholic Church has an-
nulled his first marriage.
But the Duke continues to
draw \$2,000 a week from the
original settlement and will
continue to do so until he
dies.

The Jousting Match of the
Knights of the Cornfield—
A ringside account of a
championship corn-husking
exhibition held across a
snow-swept Nebraska field
in which a new World's
Champion was made.

Symonds Soldier of Fortune—
An unconstructed rebel
who fought all over the face
of the earth now sits by the
fire and watches the legions
he once rode with come gal-
loping across the hearth.

Revinsky Again Escapes From
Prison—The Russian Fox
whose trade is stealing dia-
monds and whose avocation
is painting altar pieces is
once more on the road. For
the slayer of Mar Goodwin
has made his third escape—
this time from the Tennessee
State Penitentiary.

Arkansas Neighbors Still Re-
lieve in Barney—Though
convicted of forgery and now
serving a second prison sen-
tence, John W. Barnhart of
Forrest City, Ark., has never
lost prestige with his
neighbors. They think he
is a victim of mistaken iden-
tity.

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45-MILE SPEED LIMIT INDORSED FOR STATE LAW

Measure Approved by Safe-
ty Conference Governors
to Be Submitted to Legis-
lature Next Month.

WOULD LICENSE
ALL AUTO DRIVERS

Creation of Road Patrol and
Graduated Restrictions on
Driving in Towns Also
Provided in Proposed Act.

A complete new motor vehicle
law, replacing and amplifying the
existing code, will be submitted to
the Legislature next month for
consideration, having been drafted
by the Legislative Committee of the
Missouri Conference on Street and
Highway Safety and approved by
its board of governors here yester-
day.

Outstanding new provisions are
for establishment of a maximum
speed limit of 45 miles an hour in
open country, instead of the law
which now, in effect, places the
limit at 25; creation of a State road
patrol and requirement that auto-
mobile owners have drivers' li-
censes. Details of these and other
new features follow:

Driving shall be "in a careful
and prudent manner and at a
speed not greater than is reason-
able and proper, having due re-
gard to traffic, surface and width
of the highway and of any other
conditions then existing," without
endangering life, limb or property,
and exceeding the following limits
shall be deemed failure to observe
due care: 15 miles an hour in busi-
ness districts, past schools, cross-
ing tracks not on State highways,
and where the view is obstructed;
20 miles an hour, crossing tracks
on State highways; 25 in residence
districts and parks; 45, under all
other conditions. These and other
new rules would apply in cities as
well as country but cities could set
lower limits. Maximum speed for
solid-tired, commercial vehicles
would be 25 miles an hour.

The State Road Patrol would have
a chief and 20 men, under the
State Highway Commission, other
employees of which could be de-
putized to augment the force, and
would be used to enforce traffic
and other motor laws, but "shall
not be used for any purpose other
than the purposes enumerated in
and authorized by this act"—thus
objection of labor to a State con-
stabulary are sought to be met.

Minimum age for an owner's
license would be 16, and none
would be issued to drunks, drug
users, feeble-minded and others
unfit to drive. There would be
no examination beyond filling out
a blank. Licenses could be sus-
pended or revoked for a year by
the motor vehicle department,
courts of record and police courts
for a variety of serious offenses
under the act.

Stop signs at dangerous grade
crossings and at State highways
would be legalized. There would
be no motor vehicle department,
courts of record and police courts
for a variety of serious offenses
under the act.

Under the act, the driver's seat
Ticket system for all traffic ar-
rests would be provided.

Not more than three adults could
occupy the driver's seat.

Requires Windshield Wipers.
Pedestrians would have to walk
on the left side of State highways,
to face traffic.

Fire engines, exceeding the speed
limit, as authorized, would be re-
quired to give adequate signals.
City license plates could not be
displayed on front or rear of cars.
Drivers in accidents would have
not only to stop but to disclose
their names.

Windshield wipers would be re-
quired on all cars and no signs
could be stuck on windshields or
side windows.
There would be no driving
through safety zones.
One of two spotlights could be
used, fixed or not to strike ap-
proaching drivers' eyes.
Pedestrians' Right of Way.
Driving by drunks and habit-
ual drug users would be made a
misdemeanor, with heavy punish-
ment. Instead of felony, to avoid
causing loss of civil rights.
Pedestrians would have the right
of way at regular crossings and
vehicles elsewhere.

In general, the law follows the
uniform model proposed by a na-
tional conference. A. B. Barber,
manager of the Transportation De-
partment of the U. S. Chamber of
Commerce and chairman of the
national conference, who advised
with the body drafting the new
Missouri law yesterday, addressed
the Safety Council at dinner at
Hotel Statler last night.

PORTMANS GET PRISON TERMS FOR MAIL FRAUD

Two Years for L. B. Port-
man and 18 Months for
His Brother for Building
Promotion Activities.

SOLD SECURITIES ON
PROJECTED BUILDINGS

With No Capital Youthful
Pair Purposed \$3,000,000
Office Building at 12th
and Locust.

On their pleas of guilty of using
the mails to defraud, in their short-
lived brokerage concern of L. B.
Portman & Co., Lawrence B. Port-
man and his brother, Raymond H.
Portman, today were sentenced by
Federal Judge Paris to two years
and to 18 months, respectively, in
Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary.

The Portman brothers came to
St. Louis from Peoria, Ill., in June,
1925, and sold interim certificates
of various building projects. They
had an expensive suite of offices
in the Boatmen's Bank Building and
represented their company to be
"an old-established firm." They
were promoting a \$3,000,000 office
building at the northeast corner of
Twelfth, boulevard and Locust
street, without capital, when the
firm failed. Twelve St. Louisans
reported losses totaling \$56,000.

The defendants looked young
and legitimate in court, and their
attorney, Thomas Hoolan, said
Lawrence and Raymond were only
24 and 21 years old, respectively,
and not 28 and 23, as has been re-
ported. He said they had "con-
ducted their business in good faith
and had expended the \$56,000 try-
ing to keep it going."

Judge Paris observed that the
Portman brothers appeared to re-
present "what is called, in the ver-
nacular, flaming youth." He ad-
vised the court of their duty to
protect "morons and suckers," and
accordingly he pronounced sen-
tence. The brothers were com-
posed throughout the proceedings
except that the elder seemed moved
when Judge Paris said "two years."

COOLIDGE OPPOSES HOTEL AS
A TEMPORARY WHITE HOUSE

Will Exhaust Every Means to Find
Private Residence While Execu-
tive Mansion Is Repaired.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—A
temporary residence for the President
Coolidge and his executive staff to
be used while the White House
is undergoing repairs has not yet
been found by the President, who
desires to exhaust all possibilities
of finding a suitable private resi-
dence before deciding to move into
a hotel.

It was said at the White House
that previous experience of hotel
life in an official capacity had con-
vinced Mr. Coolidge of the diffi-
culties which probably would be-
set him and his aids in such a
dwelling. A private residence, the
President feels, is far more suit-
able for keeping his household to-
gether and renders easier the dif-
ficulties which will be necessary
while in his temporary residence.

In denying reports that the May-
flower Hotel had been chosen for
the Coolidges, the White House
spokesman said that "offers had
been received from all the leading
hotels in Washington and that it
is possible that one of these may yet
have to be selected."

ROBBERS KILL ONE, WOUND TWO
Shooting Starts When Cook in De-
troit Restaurant Hurts Knife.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 11.—One
man was wounded fatally and two
others were seriously injured by
robbers who raided a restaurant
and confectionery store shortly be-
fore midnight here today. The rob-
bers obtained between \$3000 and \$4000
and escaped.

The shooting began when Ralph
O'Dell, a cook, threw a knife at
one of the robbers. Sam Resnick,
a waiter, received a shotgun
wound and died en route to a hos-
pital. O'Dell and Samuel Dopp,
proprietor of the store, were rushed
to a hospital, where their condition
was said to be serious. Eight per-
sons were taken into custody when
four robbers entered.

WOMAN WHO KILLED GIRL FREED
Said Slaying Followed "Theft" of
Her Husband.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 11.—
Mrs. Blanche Richmond, 33 years
old, St. Joseph, Mo., who shot and
killed Miss Carrie Sparks, 16, also
of St. Joseph, here, Nov. 28, was
discharged in justice court today.
She pleaded self-defense and said
the killing followed the "theft" of
her husband by the younger
woman.

HOUSE APPROVES DROPPING OF IMPEACHMENT TRIAL OF FORMER JUDGE ENGLISH

Report and Resolution on
English Case Dismissal

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.
THE text of the report
and resolution recommend-
ing discontinuance of the
prosecution of Judge English fol-
lows:

The managers on the part of
the House in the impeachment
proceedings now pending in the
Senate against George W. Eng-
lish, late Judge of the District
Court of the United States for
the Eastern District of Illinois,
respectfully report:

"That George W. English, Judge
of the District Court of the
United States for the Eastern
District of Illinois, did on
Nov. 4, 1926, tender his resig-
nation to the President of the
United States, which resig-
nation was immediately accepted
by the President.

That on Nov. 10, 1926, the
managers on the part of the
House of Representatives ap-
peared before the Senate, sit-
ting as a court of impeachment,
in said impeachment proceed-
ings, and advised the Senate of
said resignation and its ac-
ceptance, and further advised the
Senate that the managers had
determined to recommend the
discontinuance of the pending im-
peachment proceedings, and de-
sired to report their action to
the House, and requested the
Senate, sitting as a court of im-
peachment, to adjourn to such
time as might be necessary to
permit the House of Representa-
tives to take appropriate ac-
tion upon the report of the
managers, whereupon the Sen-
ate, sitting as a court of im-

peachment, adjourned until
Monday the 13th day of De-
cember, 1926, at 1 o'clock p. m.
The managers are of the
opinion that the resignation of
Judge English in no way af-
fects the right of the Senate,
sitting as a court of impeach-
ment, to hear and determine
said impeachment charges.

Inasmuch, however, as the re-
spondent, George W. English, is
no longer a civil officer of the
United States, having ceased to
be a Judge of the District Court
of the United States for the
Eastern District of Illinois, the
managers on the part of the
House of Representatives re-
spectfully recommend that the
impeachment proceedings pend-
ing in the Senate against said
George W. English, be discontin-
ued.

RESOLVED, That the manag-
ers on the part of the House of
Representatives in the impeach-
ment proceedings now pending
in the Senate against George W.
English, late Judge of the Dis-
trict Court of the United States
for the Eastern District of Illi-
nois, be instructed to appear
before the Senate, sitting as a
court of impeachment in said
cause, and advise the Senate in
consideration of the fact that
said George W. English is no
longer a civil officer of the
United States, having ceased to
be a District Judge of the
United States for the Eastern
District of Illinois, that the
House of Representatives does
not desire further to urge the
articles of impeachment hereto-
fore filed in the Senate against
said George W. English.

ENDING LIFE BY POISON ON
STEPS OF GIRLS' HOME

Cecil Ryan, 25, a War Veteran,
Swallows Poison After
Delivering Note.

Cecil L. Ryan, 25 years old, of
2714 North Twenty-first street,
ended his life today by drink-
ing carbolic acid on the front steps
of the home of his sweetheart, Miss
Edna Shepley, 2613 Palm street.

After he had delivered a note he
was seen to collapse and was dead
when carried into the house.
Ryan, who was employed as an
agent by the American National In-
surance Co., 2806 North Grand
boulevard, went to his superintend-
ent, when he was asked that his
pay check be given to him a little
earlier than usual. He explained
he was leaving the office for the
day but would be "at that banquet
tonight," meaning a banquet he
held for agents of the company at
Kingshighway and Natural Bridge
avenue.

Leahy gave him the check and
about 1 p. m. he appeared at the
home of Miss Shepley. When his
knock was answered he thrust in a
note with instructions to "give this
to Edna." A moment later he was
seen to fall unconscious.
The note read: "Honey, what on
earth is your name? You can al-
ways have something to think of
now. Yours and only yours, Cecil."

Members of the girl's family said
the massive apparently referred to
a quarrel of a few days ago.
The body was taken to the
Morgue.

JAPANESE RULER GIVEN
STIMULANTS FOR HIS HEART

Oxygen Tanks are Installed in Sick
Room of Royal Patient, Indi-
cating Grave Condition.

TOKIO, Dec. 11.—Six oxygen
tanks were installed today in the
sick room of Emperor Yoshihito,
indicating his condition is critical.
Emperor Sadako is at his bedside.
The stricken ruler's weak pulse is
causing considerable anxiety. Heart
stimulants are necessary.
The navy is considering dis-
patching a cruiser to Vancouver,
B. C., to bring Prince Chichibu
homeward in case he is unable to
make connections with a trans-
pacific liner on his arrival there from
England.

The entire nation is anxiously
watching the reports from Ha-
yama where the Emperor is confined
in his villa. Holiday business al-
ready has suffered. The merchants
may lose millions of New Year's
parties and other celebrations are
halted.

WARRANT FOR MRS. MERSEREAU
Wife of Tennis Association Presi-
dent Is Charged With Contempt.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The arrest
of Mrs. Edith Bryant Mersereau,
wife of Jones W. Mersereau, presi-
dent of the United States Lawn
Tennis Association, was ordered in
a warrant signed in Supreme Court
today.
She is charged with contempt of
court for failing to return her two
children to a Garden City school
in accordance with a court order.
The warrant will be served Mon-
day morning.

RESOLUTION IS
ADOPTED BY VOTE
OF 286 TO 22

Action on Recommendation
of Managers to Be Re-
ported to High Court of
Senate Monday.

DEMAND FOR ROLL
CALL BY OPPONENTS

Contention Made During
Debate That the Aban-
donment Would Amount
to Not Guilty Verdict.

Post-Dispatch Bureau,
20-23 Wyatt Building.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—By a
record vote of 286 to 22, the House
today adopted the resolution pre-
sented by Representative E. C.
Michener of Michigan recommend-
ing that the Senate discontinue the
impeachment trial of former Fed-
eral Judge George W. English of
the Eastern Illinois District, whose
resignation was accepted by the
President Nov. 4.

The House managers will present
the resolution to the Senate, sit-
ting as a high court of impeach-
ment, at 1 p. m. Monday.
The Senate is expected to drop
the trial thus formally ending the
case which was initiated by the St.
Louis Post-Dispatch in 1924 when
it charged that Judge English had
been guilty of actions proving him
unfit to sit on the Federal bench.

Only an hour was consumed in
debating the resolution, which had
the unanimous support of the nine
managers appointed last spring to
conduct the case against Judge En-
GLISH. A small band of Democrats
and insurgent Republicans, led by
Representative Florentino La Guar-
dia (Rep.) of New York, opposed
the resolution on the ground that
English should be forced to stand
trial in the Senate.

Hour Consumed in Debate.
Those voting against the resolu-
tion were:
Republicans—Beck, Wisconsin;
Cooper, Wisconsin; Frear, Wiscon-
sin; James, Michigan; LaGuardia,
New York; Lampert, Wisconsin;
Fenwick, Wisconsin; Schafer, Wiscon-
sin; Schneider, Wisconsin;
Voigt, Wisconsin.

Democrats—Almon, Alabama;
Black, New York; Hill, Washing-
ton; Howard, Nebraska; Huddell-
son, Alabama; Prall, New York;
Zweig, Illinois; La Follette, Wiscon-
sin; and Thomas, Oklahoma.
Independent—Kvale, Minnesota.

Farmer-Labor—Wefald and
Carter, Minnesota.
Chairman Michener closed the
debate by a forceful 10-minute
speech in which he urged the
House to vote its honest, sincere
and "common sense" convictions,
declaring that the House had de-
cided against discontinuance of
the trial the managers were prepared
to conduct the case before the Sen-
ate.

Roll Call Demanded.

At the conclusion of his state-
ment, the House by a standing vote
of 147 to 15 adopted the resolu-
tion. Representative John C. Schae-
fer (Rep.) of Wisconsin made the
point of no quorum, however, and
demanded a roll call. The roll call
showed 286 for the resolution and
22 against.

Representative Sumners in open-
ing the debate, declared that when
Judge English resigned the sole
question left undetermined was
whether or not the House, through
its managers should bring 125 wit-
nesses to Washington and take up
the case of the Senate to try the
sole issue whether or not the Sen-
ate should bar the President of the
United States and the Senate of
the United States from again en-
trusting Judge English with Fed-
eral judicial power.

"We confront the practical propo-
sition, and the House must de-
cide it," Sumners declared. "The
managers did not feel that they
would be justified, as the represen-
tatives of the House, to put what
we regarded as an unnecessary
charge upon the public treasury
and upon the people in order to
protect the Senate against the pos-
sibility of this Judge being again
clothed with power by the Federal
Government."

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**DIES AFTER FOUR DAYS
WITH BROKEN NECK**

**Woman Was Injured When
Auto Skidded on Icy Road
From Glen Carbon.**

Mrs. Anna Cottrell, 35 years old of Glen Carbon, Ill., who suffered a broken neck in an automobile accident last Tuesday, died today in St. Joseph's Hospital, at Alton.

Mrs. Cottrell and her sister, Florence Hinnen, also of Glen Carbon, were accustomed to drive daily from their home to their place of employment, the Western Cartridge Co. at East Alton. The

rain and freeze of last Monday night made the roads slippery and on the 10-mile trip to work the next morning the Ford roadster of the sisters skidded off the highway at a point near Wanda and over-

turned. The crew of a passing train on the Illinois Central Railroad saw the accident and sent back a relief party from the next station.

Mrs. Cottrell's case was the second recent one in which the victim survived for several days after

suffering a broken neck in an automobile accident. William Schaeffer of Edwardsville lived for two days after suffering such an injury two weeks ago.

**BRIAND TO PAY OFF MORTGAGE
ON ESTATE WITH NOBEL PRIZE**
Strosemann Proudly Points to
First Peace Award Germany

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GENEVA, Dec. 11.—Unanimous
applause from the statesmen as-
sembled for the League of Nations

greeted the announcement that Nobel peace prizes had been awarded to Foreign Ministers Stresemann of Germany, Briand of France and Chamberlain of Britain, and to Vice President Dawes of the United States.

"It is unnecessary to say how deeply touched I am to receive the

prize at the same time as Briand and Chamberlain," he said. "It is, however, not a personal distinction but a symbol of recognition of the pacific evolution of our peoples. This development has been char-

acterized by the steps taken at Locarno and Geneva. There are still difficulties to surmount but we hope to reach the goal to which we are aspiring."

award because it sets the seal of international approval on the work of peace accomplished at Locarno," said Sir Austen Chamberlain. "The largest share of merit is due to Stresemann and Briand."

Briand publicly expressed hope that history would justify the awards and, to his friends, expressed joy because the financial feature of the prize, 700,000 francs, would pay off the mortgage on the

would pay off the mortgage on the estate he recently acquired in Normandy as a place of retirement. None of the European recipients is wealthy.


Gifts

Comfortable Chairs
Studio, Floor, and Table
Lamps
Tip-Top Tables, End Tables

Console Groups
Antique Chinese Runners
Smoking Stands and
Accessories
Book Racks

Magazine Stands
Chinese Cloisonne Ware
Decorative Objects in
Glass and Pottery

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I know that my retirement will make no difference in its cardinal principles, that it will always fight for progress or reform, never tolerate injustice or corruption, always fight demagogues of all parties, never belong to any party, always oppose privileged classes and public plunderers, never lack sympathy with the poor, always remain devoted to the public welfare, never be satisfied with merely printing news; always be drastically independent; never be afraid to attack wrong, whether by predatory plutocracy or predatory poverty.

JOSEPH PULITZER.

April 10, 1907.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

The Bridge Exchange Ordinance.
To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

ON Page 26 of the Post-Dispatch of Dec. 8 appeared an article under the heading, "Citizens' Committee Approves Revised Bridge Trade Ordinance." The first paragraph of the article read as follows:

"The amended ordinance for exchange of use of Municipal and Eads Bridges between the city and the Terminal Railroad was approved yesterday by the Citizens' Terminal Committee at a meeting in Hotel Jefferson."

Another paragraph read as follows: "The meeting was executive, but Chairman Harry Scullin announced that the vote had been unanimous for the ordinance. Three representatives of the Merchants' Exchange were not present."

As a member of the Citizens' Terminal Committee, I was neither present at the meeting yesterday nor did I receive any notice that such a meeting would be held. I have been advised by another member of that committee, who, like I, was originally appointed to represent the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce, that he was not present at the meeting and did not receive any notification of it. Speaking for myself, I am opposed to the proposed ordinance with the changes made, if the copy which I have been able to procure is the one which was considered and approved at the alleged meeting yesterday afternoon. I am opposed to two fundamental provisions of the proposed ordinance: 1, to that which the City of St. Louis would acquire the use of the Eads Bridge and tunnel as provided in the ordinance; and, 2, the use of the railroad deck of the Municipal Bridge upon the terms and conditions set forth in the proposed ordinance.

I will appreciate your publishing this communication in order that no one may infer, from what it was reported Mr. Scullin said, that I was present at the meeting yesterday afternoon and voted in favor of the proposed ordinance.

J. LIONBERGER DAVIS.

Women Jurors.
To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
Seldom have I read a more superficial criticism of affairs and individuals than the letter appearing recently under the caption "Our Crusaders." Such an attack on jury service for women is not only unwarranted, but the results of the system in half of the American states where it has been tried speak for themselves.

The writer's frantic fulmination against our "mass of non-sensational laws" makes one wonder what particular laws interfere with a 100 per cent enjoyment of life. I challenge him to make a public comparison of the time, energy, brains and devoted service he gives to better citizenship and the improvement of social conditions with that given by the leaders of the group he so roundly denounces. Furthermore, he might well endeavor to discover who and what organizations are particularly working to inspire higher standards of citizenship, so that some of the evils of corruption, hypocrisy and unfitness for office about which he complains may be mitigated. There will then be time enough to temper this intrusion against education and public service by a man-made panacea for our political and social ills.

GEO. B. MANGOLD.

Improve Southwest St. Louis.
To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I HARDLY think that I am alone in declaring that the city of St. Louis has overlooked a factor of vast significance to a section of the city which I claim will have a rapidity of growth unequalled by any in the city. I refer to the provision for a park which should include a playground and swimming pool in the southwest section of our great middle western city.

North St. Louis can boast of its beautiful Fairground Park, but what has this southwestern section of the city today? There are at present many acres of road ground which can still be purchased at a nominal sum. St. Louis should endeavor to keep pace with the larger cities of the United States by proper provision for such an essential feature as is here stated. Is the popular remark, "St. Louis, the City Beautiful" an actuality or a mere myth? This remains to be seen.

HARRY GOLDBERG.

Bank Aid to Ex-Servicemen.
To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

WILL you kindly publish the following so I and others may gain some information.

Today I called on an official of one of our largest banks, in regard to borrowing money on my Government insurance policy. I was informed that the banks do not intend to loan money for six per cent when they can get better and do not intend to handle the Government insurance policy. Our friends the banks, eh? We were only doing our bit, but as much as we helped the banks and the country, I think it due to be able to raise some money after Jan. 1, 1926. I will appreciate any information on the subject.

BROKE.

MISLEADING THE PUBLIC ON THE BRIDGE EXCHANGE BILL.

The bill introduced in Congress by Representative Cleveland A. Newton, authorizing the City of St. Louis to bring a condemnation suit for the upper deck of the Eads Bridge is likely to mislead the public, in the crisis of the negotiations for the exchange of bridges with the Terminal Railroad Association.

If Congress should adopt the bill and authorize the city of St. Louis to condemn the upper deck of the Eads Bridge, for the purpose of removing the tolls, St. Louis would still be far from the possession of the bridge. The acquisition of the upper deck through condemnation could be accomplished only through a complicated and costly process. We cannot conceive of a court sanctioning the condemnation of the upper deck without full and fair compensation to the owners. The tolls from the upper deck of the Eads Bridge are reported to be \$425,000 a year. The capitalization of this amount at five per cent would amount to over \$8,000,000. The city would have to pay this sum at least, and in view of the fact that usually the city has paid heavily for property acquired through condemnation, the value might run to \$10,000,000.

Would the city pay a sum like this for the upper deck of the Eads Bridge, when it can be acquired by a trade with the Terminal Railroad Association, which would put the idle municipal bridge to work and greatly improve the terminal facilities of St. Louis? What advantage would there be in this transaction?

Congressman Newton says his bill does not interfere with the exchange of bridges, but it may save the city from the necessity of sacrificing the municipal bridge. Why does he speak of sacrificing the municipal bridge? In a negotiation between the Citizens' Committee and the Terminal Association there was no thought of the sacrifice of the municipal bridge, but of an exchange that would be beneficial to both the Terminal Railroad and the city. It was intended to put an idle bridge to work, for the improvement of terminal facilities, helpful and profitable alike to St. Louis business and to the railroads.

Those who talk glibly about saving the free bridge from the use of the railroads that enter St. Louis, to control rates, ignore the fact that for years the municipal bridge has been idle and has contributed nothing either to the reduction of rates or to the improvement of traffic facilities. What prospect is there of anything better in the future under the present situation?

The charge of monopoly against the Terminal Railroad Association has been grossly misused in an attempt to prejudice the public against an exchange of bridges. There is no monopoly in the Terminal Association, nor can there be. The Supreme Court decision and mandate, which the Post-Dispatch obtained through a suit instituted by the Department of Justice and conducted by our attorneys, forever settled this question. It opened the membership of the Terminal Association to all railroads operating in St. Louis, on precisely the same terms enjoyed by member railroads. It opened the use of all facilities of the association to non-member roads on terms of equality with member roads.

The only aspect of monopoly which the Post-Dispatch had in mind, in demanding an amendment to the method of charging nonmember roads for the use of the bridge should the Terminal Association be given control of it, was to prevent any discrimination against nonmember roads for the use of the bridge alone, and facilities necessary to that use. We believe that under the amendment adopted to section five, and its interpretation by President Miller of the Terminal Association, in the light of existing conditions, meets this objection. But we have an open mind on that subject, and will freely discuss the matter when it comes up for decision by the Board of Aldermen.

Representatives of non-member railroads who complain of the advantages of proprietary railroads in the Terminal Association and express fear of being maltreated, at any time can join the association and enjoy all of the advantages of membership.

Another point on which the public is being misled is the question of forcing the abolition of the remaining arbitrary within the 100-mile zone before any exchange of bridges is made. For 25 years the Post-Dispatch fought the arbitrary, and won so far as charges were concerned outside of the 100-mile zone. But the victory was won at a heavy cost to the city. We held up all large improvements of terminal facilities until the railroads were forced to give in.

The situation, however, was different when the Post-Dispatch made its fight. The Terminal Association was a monopoly, and the railroads were masters. They had the power to impose rates and charges. When the power of controlling interstate rates and charges was lodged in the Interstate Commerce Commission, the line of battle was completely changed. To hold up improvements in terminal facilities, which promise to be a very great benefit to the city's industrial and commercial interests, in order to force the railroads to do what is solely in the power of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and until that body acts, seems foolish. Under existing conditions, the Post-Dispatch is willing to waive the point of the arbitrary charge, in order to assure greater and better terminal facilities, and fight the battle of charges under new and more advantageous conditions where it must be fought—before the Interstate Commerce Commission.

We believe the best solution of the municipal bridge problem and of the problem of expanding and improving terminal facilities for all the railroads lies in the exchange of bridges, upon fair terms. We believe the amended bridge exchange bill offers a basis for a fair exchange. There must be good faith, and confidence in good faith, on both sides in this transaction.

The big thing to be gained is to obtain opportunity for a satisfactory working out of the whole problem of bridge and terminal facilities. If St. Louis is to go forward in business, all the bridges, vehicle and railroad decks, must be put to work, and all necessary terminal facilities provided at the earliest possible date.

THIRTY-EIGHT THOUSAND GIVERS.

When the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival is over and the men of figures cast up the totals, they will find that something like 12,000 children have had the day of days made joyous for them and about 4000 families have had Christmas dinners delivered at their doors, and that is interesting and important, but when last year's Festival was over a more interesting discovery was made. It was found that more than 38,000 persons had had a part in the celebration by contributing to the Festival Fund.

That is the wonderful thing about the Christmas Festival. It is the thing that lifts it above the plane of mere charity and makes it an occasion of joyous hospitality. The spirit of Christmas is justified and glorified not so much by the thousands who receive as by the more numerous thousands who give.

The average of last year's contributions was less than 50 cents. The great majority of the contributions were a good deal less than that. It is doubtful if any one of the contributors felt that the giving was an act of charity. Rather it was the hearty acceptance of an opportunity of participating in a widespread public expression of good will on the day that is dedicated to good will.

The opportunity is now being presented for everybody to give something for this year's Christmas Festival. Every contributor, whether the contribution be great or small, will be a host on equal terms with all other givers when hospitality is extended and good cheer is spread to all those who otherwise would not enjoy them on Christmas Day.

THE REALITIES OF THE SMOKE PROBLEM.

There are certain realities underlying the smoke problem in St. Louis that constitute a bona fide problem for all who approach it without bearing them in mind.

One of them is that the natural and inevitable sources of coal supply in this section are the Illinois mines, and those mines produce a very smoky bituminous fuel.

Another reality is that much of the smoke pall which covers the city comes from residences. This can be deduced from ordinary observation. It can also be deduced from such experiments as this: A smoke-recording machine was placed in Shaw's Garden. It recorded as much smoke on Sundays, when industrial plants are not working, as it did throughout the week.

As to the first reality, there are remedies which exist, but the application of them is necessarily slow, such as making available a cheap, smokeless fuel. Processes have been perfected to this end, but they are not yet commercially successful. Coal furnaces are being replaced by gas and oil plants, but to so slow an extent as not to have any appreciable effect. In the meantime, the cheap and smoky Illinois coal will continue to be the dominant fuel.

If every industry were rendered smokeless, and a good many of them already have been, the volume of smoke pouring from tens of thousands of private chimneys would still constitute a problem. It has often been proposed that residence smoke be abated by educating householders in the methods of scientific firing. We think it optimistic to believe that what is now an onerous chore, usually participated in by various members of the family, can be reduced to a scientific operation. It is so much easier to leave on the fire a couple of shovelfuls of coal and let it go at that.

No magic formula will ever be devised to rid St. Louis of smoke. By constant plugging at major offenders, the pall will be lightened. Not until St. Louis is able to procure in appropriate quantities some new and inexpensive fuel, or gas and oil shall replace present heating plants, will that pall disappear. We think that the best progress can be made toward this end by unblinking acceptance of the realities.

REWARDING LOYALTY.

Three conscientious assistants in a St. Louis law office found themselves beneficiaries for a total of \$50,000 the other day upon the filing of the will of the late John F. Lee. One of them was a lawyer in the office who had started out in a humble capacity as a youth and had studied law diligently within the office; he was left \$15,000. A like amount was willed to a girl who had served as a stenographer for 10 years, and \$20,000 was left to the faithful woman who had been employed as a stenographer by Mr. Lee for 18 years. Devoted servants in Mr. Lee's household were also remembered with substantial sums.

It is often the loyalty of a man's subordinates which causes him to achieve greatness, and it is not only fitting but truly deserving of his helpers that they should not be forgotten when he is firmly established in a position of power and importance. Frequently, it is to the man who so ably relieved the "big man" of his many details connected with his work to whom outstanding success might be traced. Mr. Lee's generous thoughtfulness of the efforts exerted toward his welfare reflects credit upon his mind and heart.

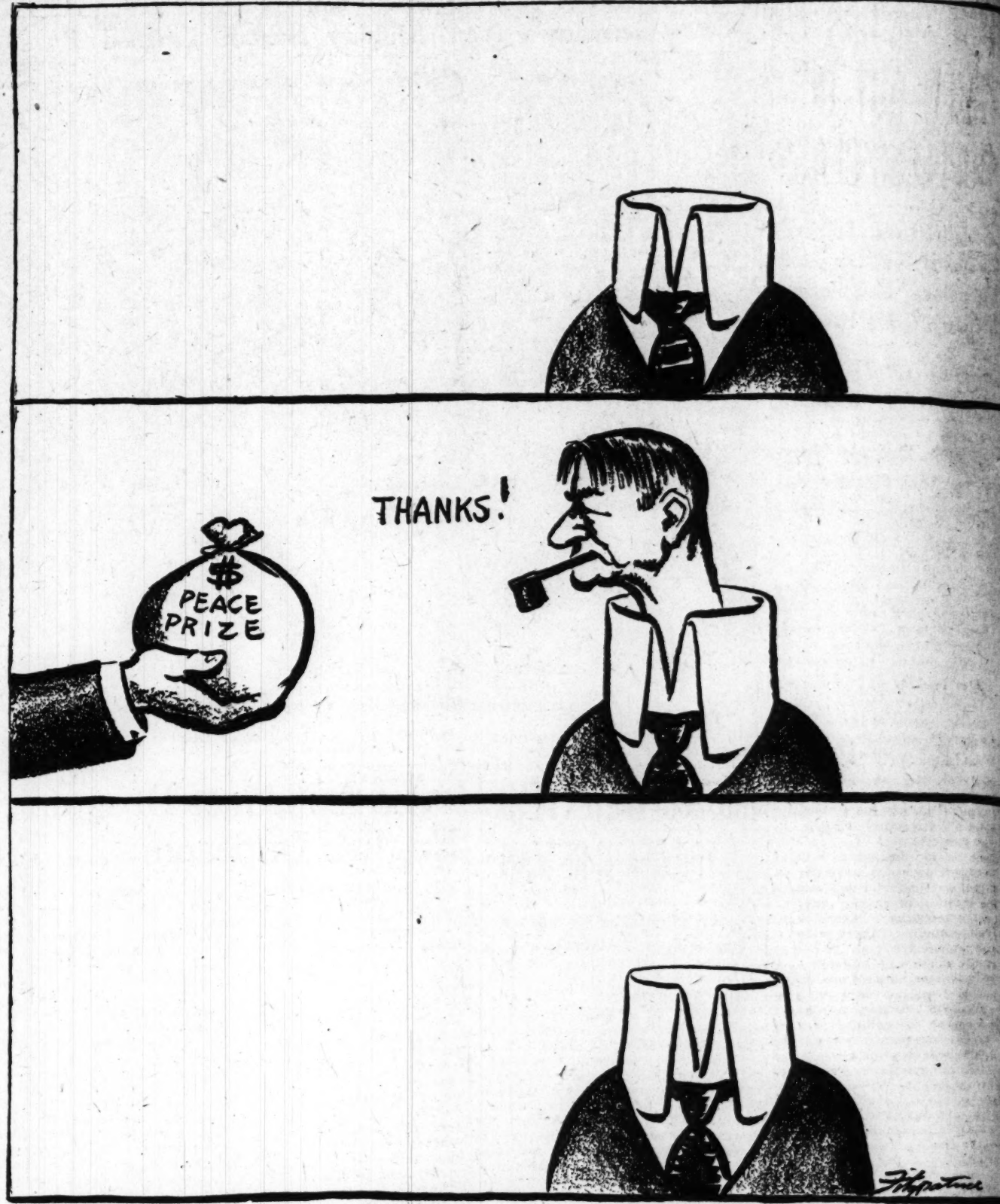
OLD FASHIONED AMERICANISM.

It is night in a little town in Benton County, Arkansas. The citizenry are assembling in public meeting, at the call of their County Commissioners, to witness the turning over of newly issued district improvement bonds to one James Gould, who, several years later, when protected by the statute of limitations, is to tell of almost fabulous corruption in the issuance and handling of such bonds.

Most of those who enter the hall carry long rifles, which they stack in a corner. They take their seats warily, and listen suspiciously to the speech of Mr. Gould, who demands that the commissioners fulfill their promise to deliver the bonds. The citizens have heard unpleasant rumors of the methods by which the Legislature was induced to create these improvement districts. They, the people who must pay the taxes, have not been consulted regarding the bond issue, and they are dead-set against taxation without representation.

When Mr. Gould sits down, a tall man walks over to one corner and picks out his rifle. Pointing it towards the commissioners, he remarks: "You just deliver them bonds."

Mr. Gould does not say the bonds. Here surely was a signal demonstration of old-fashioned Americanism—of the sort which defied the Stamp Act and dumped the tea into Boston Harbor. While we do not urge musketry in defense against official corruption we do commend this Arkansas example of courage and efficient action.



RE-DISCOVERING THE VICE PRESIDENT.

The MIRROR of PUBLIC OPINION

This column is designed to reproduce without bias the latest comment by the leading publicists, newspapers and periodicals on the questions of the day.

PUNISHING THE INNOCENT.

From the Baltimore Evening Sun.
A MAN charged with a violation of the Volstead act was tried and acquitted. The Government, however, instituted proceedings in equity against him, and the District Court declared his place a nuisance and padlocked it for a year. Yesterday the Supreme Court of the United States, with many a learned reference, upheld this curious proceeding.

Usually it is vain to attack the findings of the court upon any legal ground. There is law enough in the land to enable the court to reach any conclusion which seems desirable to the majority. The frequency of five-four decisions shows that judges of differing temperaments starting from the same premises often reach diametrically opposite conclusions.

At the same time the ordinary citizen will hardly forbear to raise his eyebrows at this latest example of judicial reasoning. For, by whatever legal maneuvering the conclusion is reached, the fact remains that the Supreme Court has given sanction to the dictum that a man, proven innocent in trial in open court, may yet be punished by judicial fiat for the same offense.

Which, in truth, is a long way from the old-fashioned idea that a man should not be punished for a crime he didn't commit.

MAN NOW A GENTLE CREATURE.

From the Detroit News.
As everybody knows, modern maids are unlike their sisters of earlier days. They are not shrinking violets. They do not blush and drop their eyes. They do not resemble startled fawns when a man shows symptoms of wishing to hold hands. They are, in short, much bolder than the girl of 1890—no less sweet, but bolder.

This change in the maids has had two unfortunate results. It has made males less masculine and it has made them think less of maids. These results were inevitable, for Nature promptly refutes a faculty that is no longer needed or used.

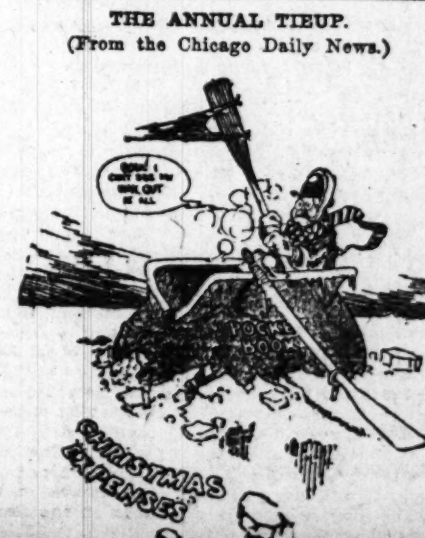
The coyness of the old-fashioned girl required aggressiveness in the man. He required aggressiveness to overcome her, wooed ardently. And the more aggressive he was required to be in his wooing, the more he developed those qualities commonly called masculine. He shaved blue, if at all; he was in the language of novelists, a red-blooded he-guy. He had to be, and therefore was.

As maids became bolder he became less aggressive. Why run if you can win in a walk? Slowly, but surely, having no cause to function as a cave man, he became more and more maidenly and at last developed into a sweet and gentle creature called a cake-eater.

And he doesn't write love poems, or lie awake at night as once he did. He no longer calls himself "unworthy of her." He no longer keeps her on a pedestal.

Diamonds are precious because they are hard to get. When the lady made herself easier to win, she took away a large part of the desire to win her.

Boys didn't break dice in the old days, nor did they drive up in front and honk.



THE ANNUAL TIEUP.

(From the Chicago Daily News.)



Of Making Many Books

What Is Faith?

"ADVENTUROUS RELIGION," by Harry Emerson Fosdick (Harper).
A liberal, the Rev. Dr. Fosdick here answers the challenge of the perplexing religious situation in America, created in part by the rise of fundamentalism. "Otherwise unrelated, the dozen or so essays in this volume cohere about the apathy—Dr. Fosdick finds it—of great numbers of people who really get along very well, on their own, without religion. Fosdick denies that this is possible. Christianity, like religion, has never been really satisfied, for stressing formal belief over practical works, and he harks back to the teachings of Jesus who arrived at God through man, not by the reverse process. He makes one telling attack on skepticism. Faith, says he, is not a forced belief in the impossible, but is, in fact, an intuitive discernment of the true, just as Newton grasped the significance of the falling apple long before he had fully worked out the statement and proofs of the law of gravitation. One may agree or disagree, but still must concede Fosdick's sincerity and originality. These essays will stimulate zealot and disbeliever alike.

—H. T. M.

Would You Choose These?

"SOME Great English Novels"—What eight English novels would you choose to hold up to the world as the greatest? Orle Williams chooses Fielding's "Tom Jones," Dickens' "Martin Chuzzlewit," Thackeray's "Pendennis," Meredith's "Egoist," De Foe's "Robinson Crusoe," Jane Austen's "Emma," George Eliot's "Adam Bede," and Butler's "Way of All Flesh," and his reasons for choosing them are very interesting. He gives two final chapters to the novels of De Morgan and the Irish tales of Somerville and Ross. In every chapter he makes stimulating comparisons and presents new viewpoints.

Mr. Williams says: "Seldom has a man been so completely and accurately drawn by a woman as Adam Bede by George Eliot." "Nothing is more remarkable in 'Tom Jones' than Fielding's broad and serene outlook over the range of human values." "Meredith cannot photograph in words the workings of a woman's mind."

"Some Great English Novels: Studies in the Art of Fiction" is a new Macmillan book.

Snapshots of Recent Books

A SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY THROUGH FRANCE AND ITALY. By Laurence Stern (Macmillan). HANDSOME gift edition of a classic with many decorations by Nora McGuinness in keeping with the highly sophisticated and whimsical spirit of the text.

A LITTLE BOOK OF AMERICAN HUMOROUS VERSE. Compiled by T. A. Daly (David McKay). NO MAN in America is better qualified to anthologize in the realm of humorous verse than Tom Daly, for he himself is a master in that field. The present collection begins with the complete version of "Yankee Doodle," attributed to Edward Bangs, who flourished during the Revolutionary War, and ends with verses by Christopher Morley and Elinor Wylie.

THE BOOK OF PLAY PRODUCTIONS. By Milton M. Smith. (Appleton.)

COVERS in detail, and from the practical point of view, many of the problems faced by amateurs in planning dramatic productions. The author is head of the department of English at the Horace Mann School for Boys, and instructor in English at the Teachers' College, Columbia University.

A CHILD'S GARDEN OF VERSES. By Robert Louis Stevenson. (David McKay.)

GENEROUSLY planned edition with a dozen full page color plates by H. Willebeck Le Mair. All of the pictures are well above the average illustrations to be found in children's books; and one, entitled "Escape at Bed Time," is touched with that which only children and those who remember their childhood may know.

"FISHING FROM THE EARLIEST TIMES." By William Radcliffe. (E. P. Dutton & Co.)

AN exhaustive and evidently authoritative work on the ancient Walloonian art. A glance at the bibliography reveals astonishing erudition, for it appears that practically every classical author of antiquity has been consulted for information, and in addition to these, hundreds of later writers. In spite of the wide learning upon which the book is based, there is a charm in the author's style and a universal sympathy in his outlook upon the world that make the work anything but dull.

"IMPRESSIONS OF NEW ORLEANS HOUSES." By Arnold Genthe. (George H. Doran Co.)

AN exceptionally beautiful book, designed to preserve the memory of characteristic scenes in the most romantic city of the South—scenes that must soon disappear. There are 101 full page plates from photographs by Arnold Genthe, whose work has made him world famous. An introduction by Grace King is liberally illustrated with smaller pictures by Mr. Genthe.

CONRAD IN QUEST OF HIS YOUTH. THE MAN WHO UNDERSTOOD WOMEN. By Leonard Merrick. (Dutton.)—Famous works by a modern master presented in a beautifully made gift edition.

CRANFORD. By Elizabeth Cleghorn Wetherill. THE YACHT WAKEFIELD. By Oliver Goldsmith (Dutton).—Beautiful Christmas editions illustrated in color.

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HENRI DEERING IS SYMPHONY SOLOIST

Former St. Louisan Heard in Rachmaninoff's C Minor Concerto With Ganz Orchestra.

THE fifth concert in the Friday afternoon series of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra revealed the pianistic talents of Henri Deering, former St. Louisan, at the same time serving as a reminder of Sergei Rachmaninoff's somewhat neglected genius. With the collaboration of Mr. Ganz and his band Mr. Deering played the Russian composer's C Minor concerto.

Why the Rachmaninoff compositions are denied the enthusiasm that is too often accorded at least by men is—or should be—one of the mysteries of contemporary musical life. But such is the case.

One can only surmise that the Old Guard, lost in contemplation of a perennially rediscovered Bach, have nothing left in the way of appreciative kudos but short ends and remnants while the musical younger set are too much bemused with their Honneggers, Bartoks and other golden youths of modern composition.

Mr. Deering's idea of the depth and dimensions of the piece was not the same as the orchestra's. This may be partially explained by the fact that Mr. Deering evidently does not command the needed sonority. His tone is small and lacking in the ringing brilliance the music demanded. His style runs more to refinement and restraint.

The novelty of the program was presented to an American audience for the first time last year and is being given this season in fulfillment of form by the Metropolitan Opera.

"La Gioia" or "The Joy," is a comedy of rural Sicily seen through a modernistic lens. The material used in the suite is largely derived from folk tunes, but when Mr. Casella gets through with them, they would be strangers to their own mother. The scenario unraveled before the audience was therefore synthetic rather than Italian. And the flutter of Stravinsky's "Fire Bird" could be faintly heard in the offing.

In order that his audience might be sure to get the point, Mr. Ganz supplemented the program notes with an oral explanation of his own.

In addition to this a series of placards, hung against the backdrop, announced the various divisions of the suite. None of it was unnecessary in view of the suite's descriptive character.

The last half of the program was devoted to Mendelssohn's "Scherzo." Though not so happy as the "Midsummer Night's Dream," this music presents the best side of Mendelssohn's talent.

The orchestra's performance was generally satisfactory, but the horn player who produced that foul noise in the close of the final movement must have completely spoiled Mr. Ganz's afternoon.

THOMAS E. SHERMAN.

ROBBERS HOLD UP WOMAN IN STORE AND FLEES WITH \$780

Searches Tobacco Establishment Until He Finds Receipts Ready for Bank.

A robber, armed with a revolver, obtained \$780 at the tobacco store of Frank Zimmer, 1832 Sprague street, Granite City, yesterday noon. Zimmer conducts a manufacturing, distributing and retail business, and his wife, who was alone in the store, had just wrapped the money in a bundle to take to a bank.

The robber bought some cigarettes on entering, then loitered in the place without paying for them. Mrs. Zimmer reminded him to pay, whereupon he drew his revolver and demanded the money. She said she had none and retreated from him. He searched the store until he found the package on a counter, and escaped by way of the Zimmer's living room, in the rear. The loss was insured.

71 CUPS OF COFFEE, 8 1/2 HOURS

Texas Qualifies for Javelin Drinking Marathon With Minnesota.

By the Associated Press. AMARILLO, Tex., Dec. 11.—Gus Comstock of Pergus Falls, Minn., has found two men who can compete with his requirements for a national coffee drinking marathon.

H. A. Stretty of Amarillo yesterday drank 71 eight-ounce cups in eight and a half hours in response to Comstock's recent reply to a challenge: "Go out and get a reputation." Another to shatter Comstock's record of 62 cups in 10 hours was Perry Wilson of Canyon, Tex., who downed 70 cups within 10 hours. The Amarillo Daily News conducted the contest and a gallery of several hundred persons watched.

Baby Fatally Burned.

By the Associated Press. QUINCY, Ill., Dec. 11.—Exploring the top of a gas stove while her mother was out of the kitchen for a minute cost 2-year-old Natalie Sabatini, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sabatini of this city, her life yesterday. The child was fatally burned when her clothes caught fire from an automatic lighter. The child's mother was badly burned about the arms and hands in an attempt to extinguish the flames.

VALENTINO'S HOME BRINGS \$145,000, AUTOS \$12,532

Screen Star's Dogs and Horses Also Sold at Auction Before Large Crowd.

By the Associated Press. LOS ANGELES, Dec. 11.—Falcon Lair, home of the late Rudolph Valentino, screen actor, was sold at auction yesterday to Jules Howard of New York City, for \$145,000. Howard's bid was received by telephone and came when the bidding had reached \$120,000.

An unimproved tract of 6.8-10 acres, located in Beverly Hills, was knocked down for \$21,000. Hundreds of persons thronged the grounds of Falcon Lair when his dogs, his horses and automobiles were lined up before the auctioneer.

Valentino's automobiles brought a total of \$12,532, an Italian town car going for \$7800. "Firefly," an Arabian horse ridden by the film star in "The Son of the Sheik," sold for \$1225, and three other horses were bid in for a total of \$2025. Another estate, Wedgewood place, remaining to be sold.

Next week a valuable effect furniture, art objects and studio properties will be knocked down to the highest bidders.

FUNERAL OF C. N. WHITEHEAD, M-K-T PRESIDENT, TOMORROW

All Trains of the Road to Stop From 2 to 2:05 P. M. as Mark of Respect.

All trains on the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railway will be stopped tomorrow between 2 and 2:05 p. m. as a mark of respect to Charles N. Whitehead, president of the road, who died here yesterday and who held, to an unusual degree, the affection of workers upon the lines.

Funeral services for Mr. Whitehead will be held tomorrow at 2 p. m. in St. Peter's Episcopal church, Spring avenue and Lindell boulevard. Burial will be in Bellefontaine cemetery.

The novelty of Mr. Whitehead's successor has not been discussed officially. The road is controlled by L. F. Loree. It was said in New York yesterday that Loree commonly selected executives from the ranks of his railroads and hence that some one of Mr. Whitehead's subordinates might succeed him.

C. I. Stralem, New York banker, and Sir William Wiseman of London, directors of the Katy, were in Port Worth on an inspection trip last night. They would not comment on who would become president of the road admired Mr. Whitehead's ability and had hoped that he would serve as president for many years.

PEACE CONFERENCE HAS PLAN FOR INTERNATIONAL HARMONY

Indorses World Court and Advises Mexican Arbitration and Debt Reduction.

By the Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—A program for the establishment of world peace and clarification of relationships of the United States with foreign countries was formulated by the Conference on the Cause and Cure of War yesterday.

Among resolutions adopted was one urging the adherence of the United States to the World Court, which was presented to President Coolidge when members of the gathering were received at the White House. Other recommendations were:

That the United States endeavor to adjust difficulties with Mexico by arbitration; that a Federal mission be appointed to confer with the Filipinos on the question of the island's independence; that the United States take independent action in revising Chinese extraterritorial treaties to satisfy China's demands; and that the international debts be reduced on a basis of adjustment corresponding with the drop in prices since the World War and all debts incurred for relief be cancelled.

Clock Causes False Burglar Alarm.

Police and private detectives hurried to the Mercantile Trust Co. at 2:30 p. m. today in response to an automatic burglar alarm. They learned that a clock on a basement vault was fast, thus throwing the bolts on an outer vault door before the regular time—8 a. m. The inner door was still locked. It is thought the clock was jarred ahead of schedule by trains passing through the downtown tunnel.

25 KILLED IN RAIL COLLISION

Passenger and Freight Trains in China Crash; 40 Others Injured.

HARBIN, Manchuria, Dec. 11.—Twenty-five persons were killed and 40 injured, mostly Chinese, when freight and passenger trains collided near Tieling, in Shengking, on the Southern Manchurian Railway.

2000 JAPANESE HOMES BURN.

TOKIO, Dec. 11.—Two thousand homes were destroyed by fire last night at Namazu, Shizuoka prefecture. The town hall, postoffice, station, and other public buildings, were caught in the flames. No casualties were reported.

CHURCH NOTICES.

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There's Dad and Brother on the Christmas List—What shall we buy?

Use Today's Classified Gift Suggestions for Everybody to Help make selections.

VETERAN CHEMIST AND MINERALOGIST DIES

William Marc Chauvenet Was Son of Former Chancellor of Washington U.

William Marc Chauvenet, chemist and mineralogist, son of William Chauvenet, who was a former chancellor of Washington University and one of the founders of the United States Naval Academy of Annapolis, died yesterday at St. Luke's Hospital of heart failure. He was 71 years old and lived in a bachelor apartment at 3737 Washington boulevard.

Mr. Chauvenet was born in the Naval Academy. His father moved to St. Louis and he was educated at Washington University when his father was chancellor. After graduation he began a career of mining geology and entered the Government service as a geologist chemist, subsequently working in Alabama, Kentucky, Missouri, Mississippi and the Lake Superior region.

After 1885 he joined his brother, Regis, as an analytical chemist and consulting engineer in St. Louis. Regis, who later went to Colorado to take charge of the Colorado School of Mines, is in St. Louis making arrangements for the funeral, which will be held Monday from the residence of Philip C. Scanlan, 4450 Lindell boulevard.

Mr. Chauvenet also was known in St. Louis for his interest in art and literature. He did some painting and clay modeling for friends and his own enjoyment, and also had written some poetry. His office laboratory was at 620 Chestnut street.

DEMANDS ACTION OF FULL COMMITTEE ON BRIDGE TRADE

J. Lionberger, David Reiterates Opposition to Exchange Ordinances as Drafted.

J. Lionberger Davis said today that he would insist that the full Citizens' Terminal Committee be given opportunity to vote upon the proposed ordinance for an exchange of uses of Municipal and Eads Bridges between the city and the Terminal Railroad. He is a member of the committee.

It was announced last Tuesday by Harry Scullin, chairman, that the Citizens' Terminal Committee had approved the ordinance unanimously, the two Merchants' Exchange representatives not having been present. Davis thereupon declared that he had not attended and had not been notified of the meeting. Scullin then said that the action was by the ordinance subcommittee of the general committee.

Davis reiterated his opposition to the ordinance as drafted on the ground that the city's tenure of Eads Bridge and tunnel was not guarded sufficiently and that the charges to be made upon railroad use of the Municipal Bridge were not specific.

25 KILLED IN RAIL COLLISION. Passenger and Freight Trains in China Crash; 40 Others Injured.

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Second Presbyterian Church

Taylor Avenue and Westminster Place. Will preach, 11 A. M. "WHAT FOLKS WERE CHRISTIANS ARE?" "THE SON OF MAN IS COMING!" Strangers Welcome to All Services.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

12th and Locust streets. WILLIAM SCARLETT, Dean. SUNDAY SERVICES, 10 AND 11 A. M. Noonday Service of Personal Religion, with address by Dean Scarlett, every Sunday at 12:30.

FOUR ACTRESSES PERISH IN ROME THEATER FIRE

Audience Is Thrown Into Panic by Blaze but All Spectators Escape.

By the Associated Press. ROME, Dec. 11.—Trapped in their dressing rooms by flames that barred their escape and prevented the aid of firemen, four music hall actresses were burned to death last night in the Apollo Theater.

The fire, which started backstage from a short circuited electric wire, swept out beyond the curtain, throwing the audience into panic. The thousand persons who were witnessing the show, however, escaped the flames, which soon attacked the flimsy decorations in the auditorium and set the entire house afire.

Another panic occurred in the Eliseo Theater, next door to the Apollo, where a performance of "Cavalleria Rusticana" was in progress. The audience, hearing the roar of the flames in the Apollo and the screams of the women in that theater, started a rush toward the exits. Assurances yelled from the stage by the directors of the theater served to quiet the people and they marched quietly out to the street to the tune of "The Royal March."

Most of the performers in the burned theater were recruited in Germany, Austria and England.

E. N. FERGUSON ACQUITTED IN HOLLAND BANK CASE

Jury in Third Trial at Marshfield, Mo., Deliberated Only 40 Minutes; Other Cases Pending.

By the Associated Press. MARSHFIELD, Mo., Dec. 11.—A verdict of acquittal was returned yesterday in the Webster County Circuit Court in the case against E. N. Ferguson, former chairman of the board of directors of the Holland Banking Co. of Springfield who was charged with having received deposits while the bank was in a failing condition. The jury deliberated 40 minutes.

The trial which began before Judge C. H. Skinner last Monday was the third for the banker and more than 50 witnesses were examined. Other charges are still pending.

DIFFERENT

Below—the sparkling, happy, popular Acidophilus type. Below—laxative, dull, sallow victim of intestinal putrefaction.

ACIDOPHILUS are tiny organisms placed in the intestines at birth, by nature, to keep the bowels clean and pure. Intestinal Putrefaction (loss of Acidophilus) causes many serious organic and body ailments. Its marks are easily recognized—dull, grayish hair, dark circles under the eyes, a pasty, sallow complexion and a tired, peevish look distort the appearance of countless victims.

Intestinal Putrefaction "sets in," sometimes even before childhood is passed and nearly always before middle age is reached, in spite of all drugs, medicines and laxatives. Re-supply the body with the natural Acidophilus in all that now is required to banish intestinal Putrefaction.

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As a simple, harmless and economical test just try taking two Moyer's Acid-O-Phil Tablets after every meal and at bedtime for four short weeks. You'll be surprised at how clear and firm your skin will become—your improvement in looks and health. You'll have more strength and energy and feel like you've taken a new lease on life. Moyer's Acid-O-Phil Tablets are positively guaranteed to give you new health, beauty and energy, or your money back. Try them and see—there's nothing like it, so do not accept imitations or substitutes. You can get the genuine Moyer's Acid-O-Phil Tablets

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At left, "Rosalee" \$37.50 At right, "Gracie" \$100

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WALKER

Delaney Ready For Strenuous Indoor Campaign

Quick Knockout of Jamaica Kid Proves Light-heavy Is in Shape.

By the Associated Press. WATERBURY, Conn., Dec. 11.—Jack Delaney of Bridgeport is "fit as a fiddle" for a strenuous indoor campaign this winter in defense of his light-heavyweight title and a vigorous offense among the heavyweights, which he hopes will lead him to a battle with Gene Tunney for the latter's crown next summer.

After an absence of nearly six months from the ring, Delaney had little trouble here last night in disposing of Jamaica Kid, Negro light-heavyweight of New York City. The Kid was knocked out in the third round of a 15-round title bout. Delaney being the aggressor throughout. The champion dropped his opponent six times in the third before the Kid took the count.

Delaney had no chance to land a solid blow during the first round because of the Kid's bouncing efforts to keep away from an ever threatening right. The champion caught the Negro with several stiff punches in the second and in the third started finishing touches almost from the bell.

Delaney had little trouble making the class weight, despite the fact that he had built himself up during the fall lay-off from actual ring combat to several pounds over the limit.

Delaney weighed in at 172 1/2 and the challenger at 175.

BETHANY FIVE TAKES

WALTHAM LEAGUE LEAD

Bethany defeated St. Paul, 17 to 15, last night and went into first place in the Waltham Basketball League.

The scores:

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2 CHAMPIONSHIP BOUTS WILL BE HELD IN EAST

LaBarba Will Oppose Clarke, English Challenger, While Rosenberg Is Down to Battle Bushey Graham.

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WALKER WANTS \$200,000 TO DEFEND MIDDLE TITLE

How '26 Princeton Team Came Back Dark Clouds Gathered After First Game

Injuries and Reverses Kept Roper and Assistant's Awake Nights Worrying Over Outcome.

CHAPTER XIV. "MY 25 YEARS ON THE GRIDIRON." By W. W. "Bill" Roper.

WHEN the Princeton squad of players assembled on Sept. 15 for the first day's work of 1926, it looked to all of us of the coaching staff as if we had the making of a great championship team which might sweep all opposition off its feet. We had wonderful, experienced, fast backs; good ends, an excellent line and material a plenty for any game.

Alan and I, one is never able to figure all the possibilities. Hard luck began to hit us before our first game and for a time it looked mighty gloomy. We lost Jake Slagle, the best man on the team, after Oct. 2. Stinson, one of our ends, was lost early. Wittmer, a fine center, suffered a broken leg; John Davis, captain and veteran guard, was knocked out, and various other players suffered from injuries which kept them out of the sidelines.

I spent many sleepless nights and worried through many days, but Al Wittmer, Stan Keck, Jack Winn, Ned Poe and Keene Fitzpatrick of our coaching and training staff kept plugging along, bringing out new players and patching up older ones until when the Swarthmore game was played it seemed as if we would have almost our natural strength for the final games with Harvard and Yale. Of course, it was for those two games that we really worked all the season.



BILL ROOPER.

Trouble With Ends.

WE managed to develop two good centers and got our tackles and guards in shape, but we had a time with our ends. Just before the Swarthmore game we discovered the possibilities of Lawler, a sophomore, as an end. On Thursday night before that game we gave him the signals and worked him Friday. He went in green and admittedly scared, but played a cracking good game. So this find put us in haps for Harvard, providing we could get Slagle ready. I might say Lawler played magnificently in both big games and I am counting on him as a star end next season.

Dan Caultkins, one of the best quarterbacks I ever coached, had a lot of trouble during the season and missed much of the play, but he rounded into excellent trim by the time for the Swarthmore game, as did Joe Pendergast. Accordingly.

With Slagle's Return Just in Time for Harvard Contest, Hardest Season Ended in Blaze of Glory.

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Slight Infection Sets Into Cut Over Eye Received Against Simonich.

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Perry's All-Star Selections to Be Published Sunday

LAWRENCE PERRY'S All-America football selections, which will be published in Sunday's Post-Dispatch, are unique in that Mr. Perry personally saw in action every player he has placed on his team.

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Navy Is Selected As Championship Team

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DEMAND FOR YOUNG PLAYERS IS PASSING, STATES JOHN MCGRAW

By the Associated Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The demand for youthful recruits by major league ball clubs is passing, says John McGraw. "If a minor leaguer is a good player at 30, we are willing to take a chance on him for five years," says the Giant pilot. He has signed "Bevo" Le Bourveau, 30-year-old American Association batting star, and expects him to fill an outfield gap next season.

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PAGE, 4455—2 neatly furnished rooms; private family; phone.

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WASHINGTON, 3817—Nicely furnished sleeping and housekeeping rooms. (c)
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WASHINGTON, 4086—Large, well furnished housekeeping room; inclosed kitchenette.
WASHINGTON, 4286—Newly furnished housekeeping and sleeping rooms, breakfast.

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WATERMAN, 55th—Room for 1 or 2; a
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WESTMINSTER, 4215—2d floor was
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WEST PINE, 4320—Large room; privy

WEST PINE. 3849—Light housekeeping; modern rooms; all conveniences: \$5.
WEST END PL. 518—Housekeeping: \$3 week.

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for 2 gentlemen in private family;
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PERSHING FAVORS ANTIGAS PROTOCOL

Letter From Him Favoring Ratification of Agreement Is Read to Senate by Borah.

By the Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The Geneva protocol for suppression of poison gas in warfare, now before the Senate for ratification, is arousing such a controversy that some of its sponsors are considering the advisability of having it returned to the Foreign Relations Committee.

It was brought to the floor by Chairman Borah of that committee and he is leading the fight for ratification, while Chairman Wadsworth of the Military Committee is marshalling the opposition.

Outside the Senate a number of organizations and individuals have taken positions for or against the protocol, with the American Legion, the American Chemical Society and the Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers' Association most vigorous in denouncing its provisions.

Gen. Pershing, honorary president of the Legion, is in favor of ratification. In a letter read to the Senate by Chairman Borah yesterday, he said he could not "think it possible that our country should fail to ratify" the protocol, and that "scientific research may discover a gas so deadly that it will produce instant death" and make possible the wiping out of great masses of noncombatant men, women and children.

Opponents of the protocol, on the other hand, insist that gas is the most humane weapon of warfare.

Pershing's Instructions.
"My instructions while chief of staff," said Gen. Pershing, "were to the effect that we should develop our defense against poison gas, and continue the study of gases for offensive use in case of necessity. But its use on the offensive was not to be a part of the instruction for the armies."

Gen. Pershing, who is an honorary president of the American Legion which is opposed to ratification, said that "scientific research may discover a gas so deadly that it will produce instant death."

Dowell, chairman of the church Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals, to the wets. The onslaught of the wets during the past year was described as "the most highly organized, heavily financed and fiercest opposition that prohibition, law and decency have ever encountered," by the Rev. Raymond V. Johnson, the board's field secretary, in his annual report he said that "Prohibition support is steadily improving."

The board drafted a petition to Congress for the passage of enforcement legislation, including the bill to strengthen the prohibition act and the measure, to place the enforcement forces under a single service.

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More Animal, Poultry and Pet Stock advertisements are printed in the Post-Dispatch than appear in all the other St. Louis newspapers COMBINED.

COLLECTING TOYS FOR ST. LOUIS YOUNGSTERS



Scene in receiving station, 1013 Locust street, on Toy day, when citizens were invited to bring in old and new playthings for distribution to the needy. In above picture are Mrs. Lon O. Hocker, Miss Dorothea Nagel (seated) Mrs. H. W. May and Mrs. Mansfield C. Bay.

CLASS RUSH AT WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

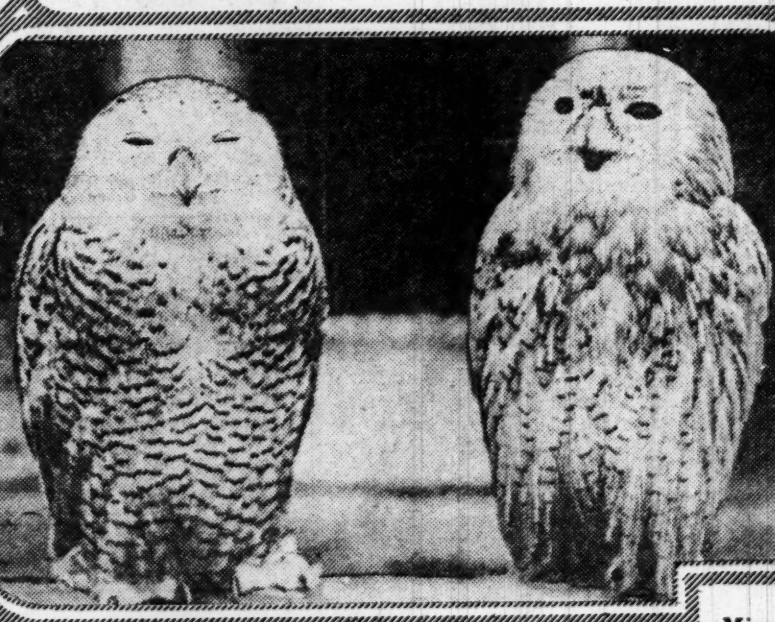


The contest between frosh and sophomores, this year, lacked the earnestness of the old days, but torn clothes were plentiful. There were no casualties. The freshmen won.

WANTS \$50,000 FROM SURGEON



SNOW OWLS BLOWN OUT TO SEA



Mrs. Mabel Rice, of New York, who had a facial plastic operation performed, and was displeased with the result, has brought suit alleging her beauty was marred.

This pair of birds, which were forced to land on a steamship far out on the Atlantic, in a storm, are now at home in the London Zoo.

CANADA'S FIRST MINISTER TO U. S.



Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Massey photographed on arrival in New York on return from Imperial Conference in London. Mr. Massey will be the first official representative of Canada at Washington, with full ministerial powers.

NEW CONGRESSMEN, ONE A ST. LOUISAN



Three of the four new members of the House of Representatives, sworn in at opening session, are shown above. They are Welch of California, Cochran of St. Louis, and Dillingham of Massachusetts.

SOCIETY GIRL'S FIRST NOVEL



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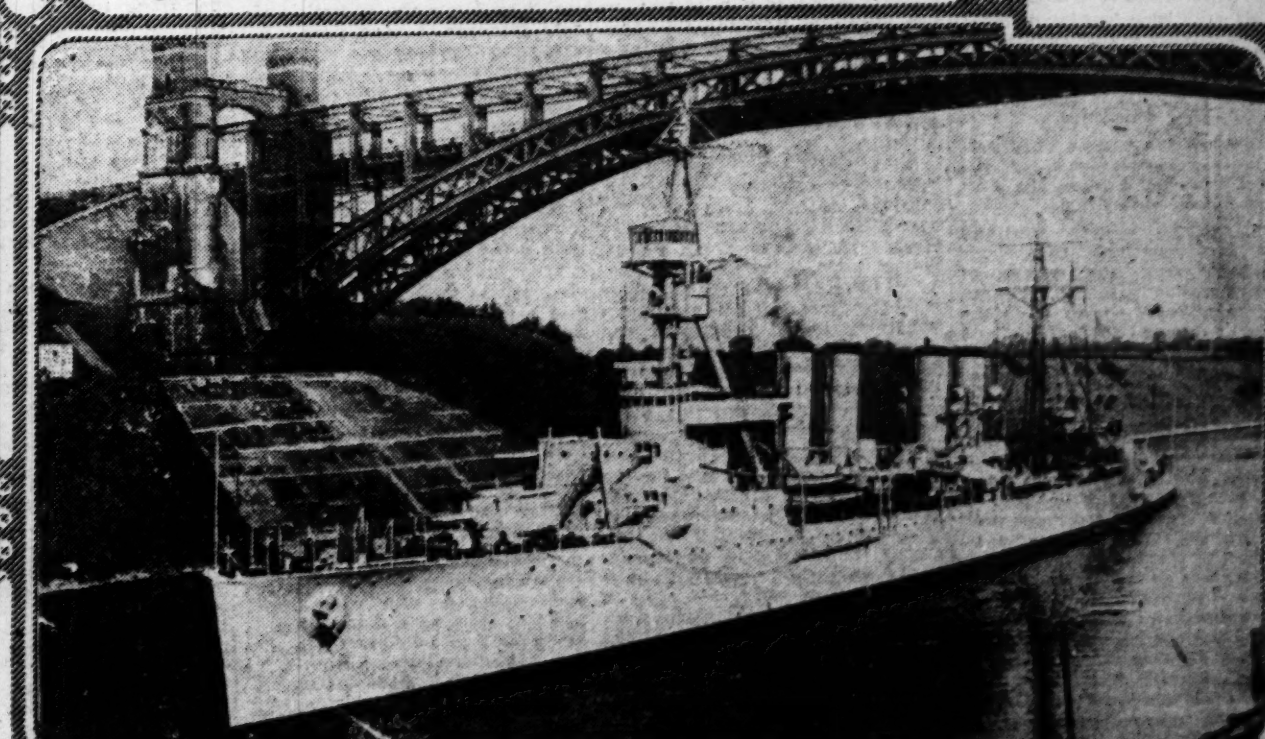
Charles E. Mitchell, President of the National City Bank of New York, which now has a capital larger than that of any other similar institution.

NEW PHOTO OF MRS. CHAPLIN



The former Lita Grey, with her youngest child, Sidney Earle Chaplin, pictured in their Los Angeles home after separation of noted film comedian and his wife.

ON FRIENDLY VISIT TO GERMANY



The U. S. S. Memphis, flagship of American ships in European waters, photographed in the Kiel Canal beneath the Levensau Bridge.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch Daily Magazine

Gowns Seen at Opening of Season on the French Riviera Indicate Simplicity Will Be the Mode

Director of Paris Fashion Board Says Black and White for Evening Wear Has Never Been More Popular or More Beautiful.

By SYLVESTER DORIAN,
Director of the Paris Fashion Board.

QUEEN MARIE'S return from her tour in America arouses keen interest in Paris. As all of her gowns were designed here, she has been looked upon, quite naturally, as a royal exhibit of the taste and creative talent of this famous capital of the Mode. In particular, Monsieur Redfern, who has dressed Queen Marie since she was a girl and who designed the formal gowns for her American tour, is delighted with the wonderful reception that was everywhere given her. He doubtless believes that America fully agrees with him that the best dressed woman in Europe is Queen Marie of Rumania.

Continuous bad weather in Paris has sent thousands of well-dressed women to the Riviera sooner than usual, and although the southern season is not yet in full swing, great attention is focused on the styles now prevailing here, for it is the first fashionable center to open since the presentation in Paris of the mid-season collections, and all who know the inside story of French fashions realize that the essential keynote of Riviera clothes for the entire season is fore-shadowed with the opening of Cannes.

In the spacious and palatial hotels, and on the numerous sunlit terraces overlooking the Gulf of La Napoule, new styles for both evening and daytime wear are indeed soon in the making, for every little happening in the world of fashions is a part of an important change, which if carefully studied may be oftentimes known in advance.

The outstanding fact pertaining to evening gowns is that black and white, and combinations of the two, have never heretofore been either so popular or so beautiful. The variety of solid white, the variety of solid black, and the absolutely infinite range of combinations of black and white have outstripped the best even of the makers of the styles themselves. This is taken by the couturiers to mean that simplicity is coming more and more into its own.

"What will the effect of this be on the spring styles?" I asked two style experts, here representing two of the big Paris houses. "It means that simplicity is wanted and that simplicity is in perfect harmony with the times, and consequently it is here to stay, and I venture to say that the keynote of the spring and summer styles will be simplicity." This was the answer both gave. As the evening gowns are still an inch longer than dresses for day-time wear, in many instances, it is certain that this will remain true for another season at least.

In day-time styles, the only new feature which may become popular is the picturesque undulating belt which has been turned by the high crown in a number of hats seen on the terraces and in

carriages driving in the direction of the neighboring orange-orchards. The two modes, thus allied, are co-operating to advantage, and it is probable that from the union something lasting may soon be evolved. Obviously, this graceful form takes away the hardness from the high crowns that have been complained of by some elegant Parisian. Fashionable women are the most popular trimming on all hats, and there is not one known flower that has not now been reproduced in feathers of corresponding shades, to such perfection as to be indistinguishable from the flower at a slight distance. After white, the wine shades are most favored in the decorative feather flowers. Draped crowns have never been more in evidence, and this is equally stylish and effective in hats which have narrow or wide brims, or no brims at all. Certainly the draped crowns will be fashionable for months to come.

In sports clothes, alpaca-cloth is present everywhere. The latest models are all two-piece, and many of them are trimmed with silver, gold and bronzed leather in a variety of designs. The leather that underlines a silver treatment is especially impressive and suggestive of the morning hours for which it is intended chiefly to be worn. Lots of silver buttons are used, too. After gray, yellow has thus far been most conspicuous among the sports clothes worn here.

A new note in sports costumes is the return of the blouse or blousing effect, which makes the lines less straight than they were in the sports costumes of the past season. The coats are cut by a masterly hand and are trimmed, for the greater part, with furs of contrasting shades. The evening coats have never before been so decorative, varied and gorgeous.

Some women wear with extreme grace a fancy skirt like the one worn by Marie, Marie Ley, which is being illustrated by drawing. Other women cannot naturally carry this flirty mass of tulle. In making a dinner suit for the Countess de Noailles I used white for the coat and mounted the black velvet skirt on a foundation of white Georgette, as I did the others. This effect was charming and very Parisian. I must say, but again the type must be taken into consideration before making these digressions, for all women cannot wear clothes like the Countess and Marie Morgan. I have just made 50 gowns for Marie Morgan, who for many years has been one of my most devoted clients, and I am sure that no woman anywhere in the world could wear garments with more taste and elegance.

This dinner suit is my latest contribution to the reigning mode, and I venture to say that it will become increasingly popular. Its success is being made by the dignified women who never flock to the fads, and for that reason I feel safe in saying that it is a style whose popularity will be lasting. The slight changes, keeping itself in perfect accord with the times, this two-piece evening suit will be worn for several years to come, if not longer.

Defining Parisian Chic. Parisian "chic" is undefinable, and despite the many years I have been given to creating styles in Paris, I am unable to tell you what it is that makes the Parisian woman the best-dressed woman in the world.

I know that a woman in Parisian clothes is recognized all over the world, and that it is said that the same materials, taken elsewhere, never result in the Parisian models that are executed in Paris, even if a Parisian couturier goes along with them to do the work.

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Evening wrap of gold lame with blouse back and draped front which throws over the shoulder. Fur collar. Worn by Miss Pierpont Morgan.

Afternoon dress of copper cloth with draped blouse and soft full skirt. Worn by Miss Pierpont Morgan.

Tuxedo of dinner suit with skirt of black tulle mounted on a bodice top of white crepe de chine. Worn by the Venetian actress, Maria Ley, now in New York.

Wrap of gold colored serge with cape back and trimming of ermine dyed beige. Worn by Miss Pierpont Morgan.

Evening frock of black velvet with petal skirt lined in pink georgette. Worn by the Countess de Beauchamp, one of the world's best dressed women.



Evening gown of flowered gold lame in blue and pink with elaborate butterfly drapery on the right hip.

A long bodice of gold cloth and full-skirted skirt of white tulle are joined by a fringe of mahogany-colored monkey fur. Worn by the Marquise de Polignac.

An afternoon dress of coarse Ottoman cloth has a surprise closing and interesting front drapery developing from the high rolled collar. Worn by Miss Pierpont Morgan.

"Dinner Jacket" Evening Gown Is the Latest Thing in Paris

By CHERUTE.

(Miss Wormer.)

"WHAT is the very latest thing in Parisian evening gowns?" "What is the latest thing in this elusive but universally envied and adored thing called Parisian 'chic,' and why is it that it may only be had in Paris?"

"How can I, a woman of moderate means, best invest in clothes what I have and achieve the most return for my outlay?"

These are some of the vital and important questions that have poured in from the women of North America, and, as they are representative of what is in the minds of many thousands, and therefore of general interest, I shall make this article an answer to them.

So far as I am concerned, the latest thing in evening dress for women is the "dinner jacket," or, as you say in America, a "tuxedo." Now, men have had their tuxedos for many years, and I have seen the "tuxedo" make a place for itself in the wardrobe of the well-dressed woman of today. What woman does not know the feeling of wanting to be appropriately dressed for the evening, but without the "showiness" and color of the usual evening dress? You have experienced just this thing, many of you, just as women have here in Europe. You have not felt like appearing conspicuously elegant in the evening, which gave you a sort of temporary dislike for a certain gown, and you have looked around at your different garments and said to each in its turn, because it did

not fill your exact requirements: "I don't FEEL, somehow, like wearing you."

And a gown, if it is to look its best, should be FELT by the woman who is wearing it. It must be a part of her and correspond to her mental disposition; then a harmonious ensemble is presented and they help each other.

Making the Dinner Suit. The only color present in this two-piece evening gown is in the flower. In the models I have made the flowers are green, but I shall change them to suit the wearers. I will sometimes bring into evidence something that lay dormant and unseen in a woman's loveliness before. The fresh flower is preferable, of course, and one white, pink or yellow rose against this black background works wonders.

The coat is of solid black and its cut and lines are based on the cut and lines of the tuxedo worn by gentlemen. The same lapel extends to the one button that catches the sides, and underneath is the soft white Georgette crepe foundation on which the skirt is mounted. White stocks are worn and very little jewelry. Simplicity is the note of this costume in every detail.

Different Skirts. The coats of these evening suits are always along the same general lines, but into the skirts I admit many changes. I have already used mousseline, tulle and velvet for the skirts, and they have been executed in a variety of designs too large to be individually described

here. The type of woman who wears the skirt must be considered when one strays from the simplest lines.

Some women wear with extreme grace a fancy skirt like the one worn by Marie, Marie Ley, which is being illustrated by drawing. Other women cannot naturally carry this flirty mass of tulle. In making a dinner suit for the Countess de Noailles I used white for the coat and mounted the black velvet skirt on a foundation of white Georgette, as I did the others. This effect was charming and very Parisian. I must say, but again the type must be taken into consideration before making these digressions, for all women cannot wear clothes like the Countess and Marie Morgan. I have just made 50 gowns for Marie Morgan, who for many years has been one of my most devoted clients, and I am sure that no woman anywhere in the world could wear garments with more taste and elegance.

This dinner suit is my latest contribution to the reigning mode, and I venture to say that it will become increasingly popular. Its success is being made by the dignified women who never flock to the fads, and for that reason I feel safe in saying that it is a style whose popularity will be lasting. The slight changes, keeping itself in perfect accord with the times, this two-piece evening suit will be worn for several years to come, if not longer.

Defining Parisian Chic. Parisian "chic" is undefinable, and despite the many years I have been given to creating styles in Paris, I am unable to tell you what it is that makes the Parisian woman the best-dressed woman in the world.

I know that a woman in Parisian clothes is recognized all over the world, and that it is said that the same materials, taken elsewhere, never result in the Parisian models that are executed in Paris, even if a Parisian couturier goes along with them to do the work.

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Children's Bedtime Story

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

Yowler the Bobcat Shows His Teeth

For people who are filled with spite, There nothing is, or can be, right.

—Old Mother Nature.

PETER RABBIT did want to go into Buster Bear's bedroom, but of course that wouldn't have been polite. However, it wasn't politeness that kept Peter from doing it. The truth is, he didn't dare to. Buster Bear might not be asleep. Even if he were asleep, he hadn't been asleep long enough for Peter to dare take any liberties. So Peter was satisfied to leave well enough alone and go hunt up some one to boast to.

Peter is very like a great many people in that he dearly loves to boast. If he knows something that he thinks no one else knows he likes to brag about it. I am quite sure you have seen people just like that. So Peter was very anxious to tell others that he knew where Buster Bear had gone to sleep for the winter. It never entered his head that in spying on Buster he had done a most impolite thing.

Shortly after Peter left Buster Bear's bedroom the snow began to fall. This pleased Peter. That snow was covering up Buster Bear's tracks and his own tracks. If he kept on falling there would be no tracks to be seen anywhere around Buster Bear's winter home. Then Peter would have that secret all to himself, and it would be something to brag about. At least, he thought he would have it all to himself. So as the snow came swirling down, Peter hurried to get to a certain sheltered place that he knew of, far away from Buster Bear's bedroom. There he squatted until the storm was over. When he finally ventured to look out there

wasn't a track to be seen anywhere. Then Peter set forth to tell every one he met that he had seen Buster Bear make his bed and knew just where Buster Bear was spending the winter. "No one else knows," he would brag, "but I am quite sure you have seen people just like that. So Peter was very anxious to tell others that he knew where Buster Bear had gone to sleep for the winter. It never entered his head that in spying on Buster he had done a most impolite thing.

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evenly over your face, not neglecting your neck. Always remember, Madame, that a little powder goes a long way. If you slap it on the nose and chin, and nowhere else, it gives a ludicrous effect. Those who use powder—properly chosen—are the wisest and most fastidious ladies. If the tint to match the individual skin is chosen, the powder itself will not be obtrusive. Madame must acquire a bit of artistry in her use of cosmetics. That "make-up" look is very objectionable."

There was an audible sigh from the reclining chair. Helen smiled showing quite even teeth that no longer appeared discolored. "This beauty building is a regular job, isn't it?"

"Yes, Madame . . . that it is, but isn't it a grand thing to know that one can defy yellow skin, discolored chins, the ravages of time, even ill health, if one will but have perseverance?"

"I feel like the hundred-eyed son of Zeus and Niobe. I have to watch everything you do so carefully."

A smile to that. "A word more about your powder, Madame. Personally, I should advise you to use a VIOLET scented powder. I've known it to be responsible for many a social triumph. It would be well to use the violet only. I mean in talcums, perfumes, cosmetics, and so on. The use of perfume should be simply an accessory touch that is scarcely noticeable, but which forms a subtle addition to the toilet. There are many charming scents on the market, but I happen to have this preference."

Lip Stick.

"We'll rub in a little cold cream before touching up your lips, Madame. If softens the lips so that the color goes on more evenly. In a moment I'll put on two dabs of the lip stick—one on the upper lip and one on the lower. That is quite enough. Then, I'll shade it with the tip of one finger towards the corners of the mouth. This guards against that sharply defining line of the lips that we see occasionally."

Eyebrows and Lashes.

"You'll not need the black cosmetic, Madame. Your lashes and brows are dark enough. But an eyebrow brush is essential—I will make them silky and tractable. I remember telling you that the other day."

"How do you use this?" She was examining the little brush and black cosmetic.

"The brows should be brushed just enough to give character to the face. Some people prefer the eyebrow pencils. Personally I favor the brush. Be glad," she smiled, "that it's one thing you don't have to consider."

Monday will come the story of clothes—the subject that lies nearest to a woman's heart.

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Dressed Woman

by Lucrezia Bori

the details of her costume in perfect condition, than she can in a Paris creation that has a faster off. For the woman with the cheaper frock proves by her attention to detail that she could wear expensive clothes properly if she could afford them. The woman with the Paris frock and careless habits proves that though she may have the money she is lacking in the good taste and fastidiousness necessary to making a perfectly groomed appearance.

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"SAVED!"

The sample jar of Turpo saved my baby from pneumonia. I also used it for sore throat and found instant relief. So writes a Missouri mother.



"What's eating you? Time's a-wasting, ain't it? The Phantom will come out when he gets ready." Another pause ensued; then the impatient Toots asked another question. "What I don't get at all is how the 'skirt' fingers in the night. Where does she come in, Helen?"

The Phantom held his breath to catch the answer.

"Search me. All I know is that the Phantom has a crush on her. I've seen the boss think the Phantom will be easier to handle if he's got a grip on the moll."

"Where's the boss keepin' her?"

"I say, ask me somethin' easy. The boss don't tell me his secrets."

The Phantom felt a twinge of disappointment. Toots' question had given him hope of learning something about Helen's whereabouts, but Slim's answer had dashed it.

"I'm dying for a smoke," he heard Toots whisper.

Well, get back in the corner and wait. But don't make any noise, and be careful when you see the match."

The Gray Phantom's Romance

The Astonishing Adventures of a Lovable Outlaw.

By HERMAN LONDON

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The Watchers at the Window.

Continuously he thrust a foot through the opening, but in a moment he drew it back. Then he lay rigid, listening, for something that might be of danger. The bed was dark and there was no light; the faintest sound; yet he knew someone was lying in wait for him on the other side.

The Phantom strained his ears. Faint sounds of breathing came from the opening, but he waited. He was not a coward. He was a Phantom, and he was waiting for someone to make a move. He was waiting for someone to make a move.

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Then came a faintly scratching sound as of a match being struck. A daring idea entered the Phantom's mind. For the time being the enemy's force was divided and there was only one watcher at the window. He saw a chance—a slender and dubious one, but perhaps the only chance he would have to get the upper hand of the sentinels.

Bracing his shoulders against the wall of the passage, he drew his electric flash from his pocket. His right hand was already gripping the pistol. Holding both in readiness for instant action, he pricked up his ears and listened. Sounds of breathing told him that Slim was standing just a few inches from him, perhaps looking directly at him through the darkness. He had already decided that Slim was the more resourceful man of the two. If Slim could be put out of action, his difficulty would be more than half solved.

His finger touched the little button, and a shaft of light pierced the darkness. In the same instant a head was thrust into the opening. A pair of startled eyes stared at him for a moment—and in that brief space of time the Phantom delivered a sharp blow in the region of the nose and eyes. With a cry of pain the man tottered back, blood streaming from his face.

The Phantom extinguished his flash and flung it through the opening. Toots, evidently wondering what had happened, was jabbering excitedly, but Slim gave no sound. With a swift and agile movement the Phantom jerked himself forward, dropping his legs over the sill, and in another moment he was standing inside the room. He stooped, ran his fingers over the floor and recovered the leashed to one side. A pistol shot, followed by a sharp thud, as the bullet hit the wall a few feet from where he stood.

He leaped silently across the floor. The brief flash emitted by the pistol had given him a glimpse of Slim at the opposite wall. Before the man could move, the butt of the Phantom's pistol had crashed down on his head. Uttering a feeble grunt, he sank limply to the floor, and in the same instant came another crack and flash, and a bullet whistled past the Phantom's head.

"Well," he almost winged me that time, Toots," he remarked coolly, at the same moment dropping to his knees and noiselessly crawling toward where Toots stood with his back to the door. Another shot, fired at random, lit up the room for a brief instant, giving him another glimpse of his adversary. Swiftly and without making the slightest sound, he advanced toward the door. Now he reached out a hand, fumbled for a moment in the darkness until he lightly touched one of Toots' shoes. With a swift and powerful motion he seized the man's feet from under him.

The Phantom sprang to his feet and rushed out of the room, turning the key in the lock on the other side.

He paused for breath while he brushed some of the dirt from his clothes. He had vanquished his adversaries, but possibly the shots he had fired had been heard. He was in a predicament. He was in a predicament.

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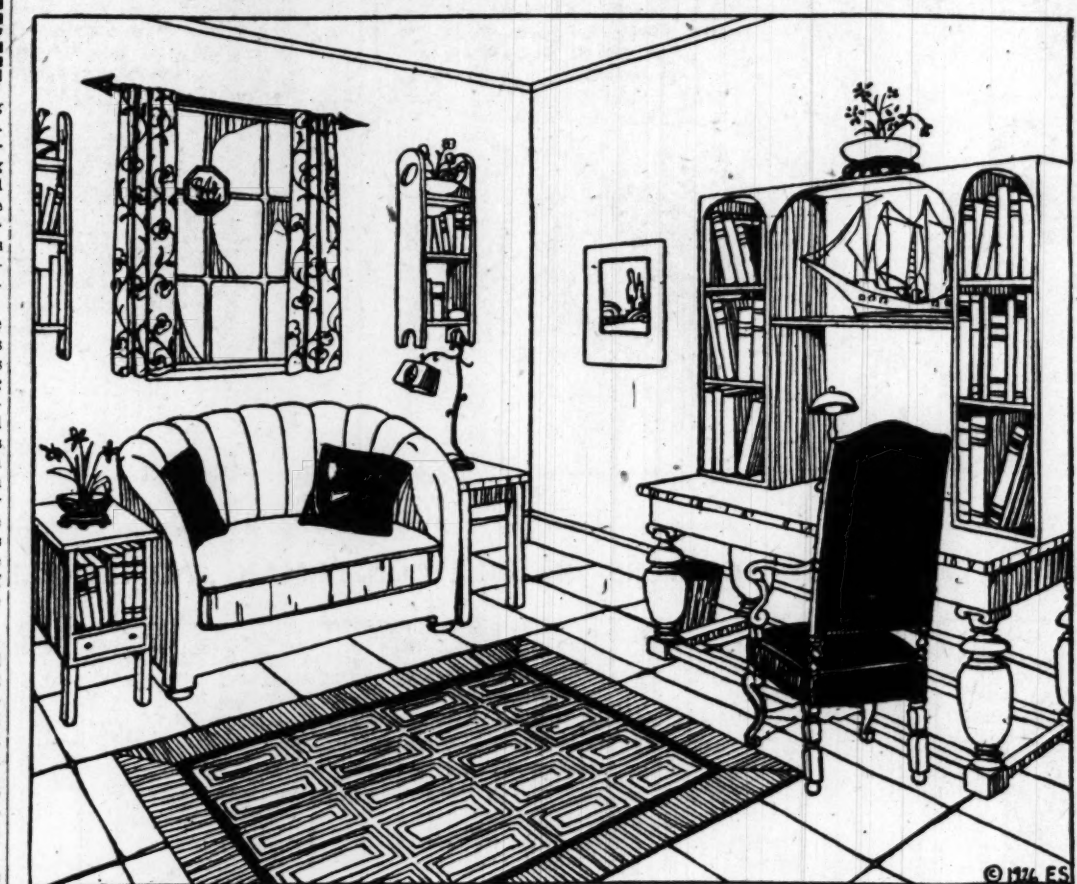
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ARRANGING THE HOME



THIS room shows the many possibilities of designing and arranging a modern library with shelves and cupboards which can be moved around like furniture. It is an arrangement which is particularly suitable where one's residence is not to be permanent. This is because the pieces are designed to be adaptable in a room of practically any proportion or style.

Perhaps the most interesting piece in the room is the combination table, desk and book cabinet. The table is a long, heavy Jacobean adaptation with its bulbous legs and sturdy lines. It is left in the natural wood and given a dull finish. A solid table is suggested, for it will carry a shelf to much better advantage than a delicately constructed piece.

Molded out of the same type of wood is a cupboard. It is flanked against the wall and covers about half the table. The shelves of the two outer sections offer a generous amount of space for books. There is only one shelf in the middle section so as to allow good desk space.

This cabinet is finished on the outside like the table, but is lined on the inside in a shade which harmonizes with the walls. In this cabinet can be placed text-books, manuals, reference books and data for study.

Then it always makes an effective and decorative grouping around a window to have hanging bookshelves on either side. They can be bought very reasonably either plain or decorated in a number of interesting designs. In them can be placed smaller books and perhaps a little bric-a-brac. They are so constructed so as to hold a considerable amount of weight.

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THE pointer for today is: Bid a strong four-card Major in preference to a stronger five-card Minor, unless the hand has a third strong suit; in that case bid the Minor first.

Yesterday the following two hands were given:

1. Sp.: Ace-King-x-x. Ht.: x-x. Dt.: x-x. Cl.: Ace-King-Queen-x-x. 2. Sp.: Ace-King-x-x. Ht.: Ace-King-Jack. Dt.: x-x. Cl.: Ace-King-Queen-x-x.

With No. 1, the Spade should be bid first, so as to show the Major while a four-card suit may be bid cheaply; it being much safer to make a high bid with those Clubs than with the Spades. If the Spade be adversely overcalled, the Clubs can safely be shown. No. 2, however, presents a different problem. The four-card Major is selected in No. 1 because it may be the only chance to show it cheaply; but when it will be possible to tell the partner later that the Major is strong and to invite him to bid it, a five-card suit should be bid rather than a four. In No. 1, failing to bid the Major on the first round may bar any reasonable opportunity to show it at all. The bidding, for example, might be: one Club, three Hearts, four Clubs, four Hearts; and then to bid four Spades with a four-card suit would be very dangerous. It might force the partner to bid five Clubs; yet the combined hands might contain a game at Spades and not at Clubs. But in No. 2 there is little danger of not being able to show the Major; with a third strong suit, high adverse bidding is not nearly so probable, but the hand is equipped to meet any situation. If the weak suit be named by partner, a No Trump would be the obvious call; if the weak suit be named by the adversaries, the holder of No. 2 could double informatively and thus invite from the partner a bid of either Major. In No. 1 this informatory double could not be made because, regardless of which suit (Hearts or Diamonds) the adversaries bid, the other would be too weak.

Monday's article will discuss the duty of the partner of an original bidder who has shown two suits. (Copyright, 1926.)

Seen on Fifth Avenue.

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The Man on the Sandbox

by L. Caruso

THE PASSING SHOW.

T O football peace, farewell we kiss.
The Bear and Tiger armistice
Has somewhat ill fared.
Negotiations came to naught.
And no more battles will be fought.
Till peace has been declared.

For plaster paris and the splint;
The merry crutch the roll of lint.
They'll have no further use.
The situation we deplore.
As there will be no further war.
Till they declare a truce.

Jim London tossed Dick Davis court.
And now, according to report.
He's after Stecher's crown.
If Jim should cap the cap piece.
The celebrated Isles of Greece
Would ring with his renown.

One Battling Morris of Duluth.
Is quite an interesting youth.
Of passing fistic fame;
He met George Butch, our local pride
And took him for a buggy ride
And thanked him for the same.

The minor leaguers have adjourned.
And no important tricks were turned.
In barter, sale or trade.
Although the majors had the dough.
The trade-winds didn't seem to blow
And so no deals were made.

WHY INDEED?
Postmaster - General New demands the death penalty for mail robbers.
Why the distinction?
What's the matter with bank, payroll and highway robbers?

It is a toss-up between Leonard and Osborne Wood as to which is the better front page timber.

The man on the sandbox says the Germans may wear wooden

shoes, but they don't allow any grass to grow under their feet.

One thousand new bills are before Congress in addition to the 12,000 carried over from last session. That makes 13,000 and some of them are going to be out of luck.

Looks like more work for the cabinet makers to provide pigeon-holes for all those bills.

"Soap Companies May Merge." Indicating that somebody is going to clean up.

Major-General Peyton C. March says that the United States dry law is the world's best joke. Indicating that the General has a keen sense of dry humor.

But in the words of the comic artist it may be comedy for some but it is tragedy for others.

If St. Louis would only swear off smoking the first of the year we wouldn't mind if she took a little drink once in a while.

"Manila Paper Comments Coolidge's Philippine View." In other words Manila paper takes a wrap at Cal.

To the Victor belonged the spoils until radio began to cut in on the good thing.

Manager Bucky Harris won't start swearing in new Senators until along about the first of the year.

Bucky may have made the Social Register but he can't marry into the select circle of 400 hitters in Who's Who in Baseball.

The Bureau of Agriculture reports a buckwheat crop of 144,000 bushels, an increase of 56,000 bushels over last year. Eat more buckwheats, they're good for what ails you.

"Wages Up, Living Costs Down, Labor Survey Shows." Now, you tell one, daddy.

"Find Evidence of Prehistoric Race in Ozarks." Horse, dog or human?

KRAZY KAT-By HERRIMAN



BRINGING UP FATHER-By GEORGE McMANUS



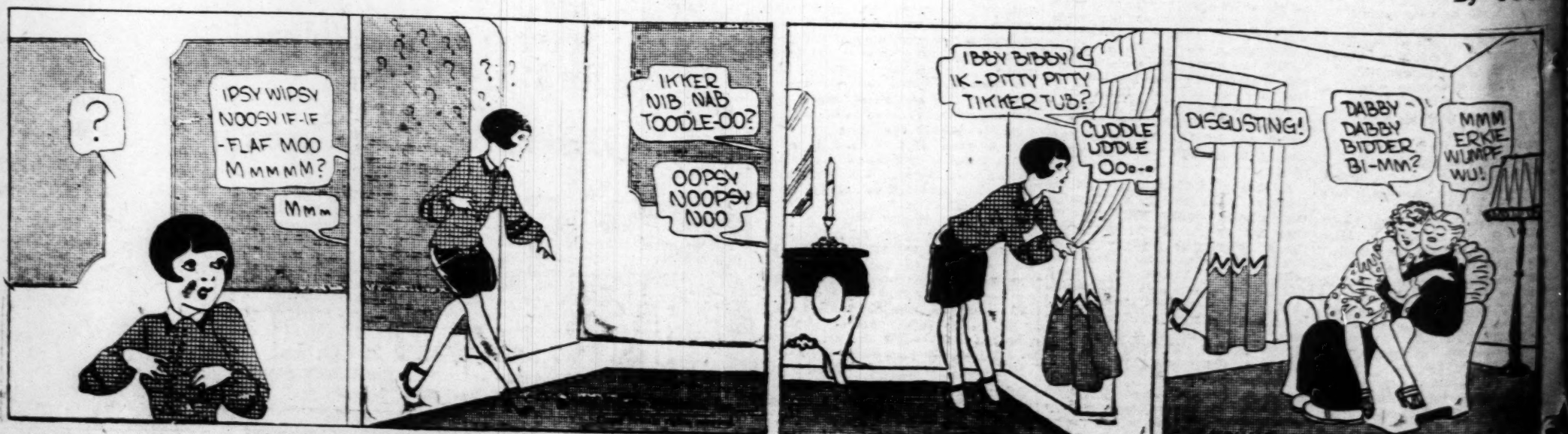
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CAN YOU BEAT IT?-By MAURICE KETTEN



DUMB DORA



"SUITCASE" SIMPSON-By FONTAINE FOX

"SUITCASE" SIMPSON (WHO HAS THE LARGEST FEET IN THE WHOLE TOWNSHIP) GOES TO THE CITY TO DO HIS XMAS SHOPPING AND ALWAYS TAKES ALONG A COUPLE OF SMALL PILLOWS TO TIE ON HIS FEET.



-By YOUNG

SHOPKEEPER AND OFFICER ARE SHOT BY HOLDUP PAIR

Morris Roufa, 801-3 Morgan, Fires on Robbers—They Wound Him and Patrolman McLaughlin.

TWO MEN GET \$430 AT ANOTHER STORE

While Police Are Investigating Affray Another Place Two Blocks Away Is Being Looted.

Two robbers, at whom Morris Roufa fired in his store at 801-3 Morgan street at 8:30 o'clock last night, shot Roufa in the right arm, and shot Patrolman Byron McLaughlin in the right side when McLaughlin, off duty and not in uniform, fired on them outside the store.

Twenty minutes after the robbery had fled, northward from Roufa's place, two young men, of similar general appearance, held Ben Geiber's store at 623 Morgan street, took \$430 from the cash register and from three persons and escaped without firing their revolvers.

While the robbers were in Geiber's place, policemen were in and out of Roufa's, a block and a half west, questioning witnesses to the robbery and double checking them. Police officials are unable, on the basis of the reports, to determine whether the same men figured in both cases, but said it was possible.

Officer Taken to Hospital. McLaughlin is in City Hospital, where his bullet grazed one of his ribs and stopped under the skin back, near the spine. Surgeons believe he will recover. Roufa, whose wrist bone was broken, left the hospital after being treated.

Roufa, two of his brothers and nephew, with three customers, were in the furnishings and shoe store when the robbers entered. Roufa is in two sections, joined at the front and rear. One of the robbers entered by each of the two doors, and the one who entered at 801 had a blue handkerchief over his face. Both had caps over their eyes.

The men shouted "hands up" to the men in the store, and the men who were near the front on the side, started for the rear, followed by the others. The robbers fired, and an instant later, Roufa, having obtained his revolver, was firing back. Eight or 10 shots had been exchanged when Roufa, wounded, dropped his revolver, and the robbers ran out.

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